

# **Australian Technical Advisory Group on Immunisation (ATAGI)**

The Australian Technical Advisory Group on Immunisation (ATAGI) provides advice to the Minister for Health and Ageing on the Immunise Australia Program and other related issues. In addition to technical experts, ATAGI's membership includes a consumer and general practitioners.

## **ATAGI Terms of Reference**

The Terms of Reference of ATAGI are to:

- Provide technical advice to the Minister for Health and Ageing on the medical administration of vaccines available in Australia, including those on the National Immunisation Program;
- Advise the Pharmaceutical Benefits Advisory Committee on matters relating to the ongoing strength of evidence pertaining to existing, new and emerging vaccines in relation to their effectiveness and use in Australian populations;
- Produce the Australian Immunisation Handbook for the approval of the National Health and Medical Research Council;
- Consult with the [National Immunisation Committee \(NIC\)](#) on the content and format of the Australian Immunisation Handbook and implementation strategies; and
- Consult with the [Communicable Diseases Network Australia \(CDNA\)](#), the [Australian Drug Evaluation Committee \(ADEC\)](#) and the [Adverse Drug Reactions Advisory Committee \(ADRAC\)](#) on matters relating to the implementation of immunisation policies, procedures and vaccine safety.

*(extracted from <http://www.health.gov.au/internet/immunise/publishing.nsf/content/advisory-bodies>)*