**STAGE 1 PBS PROCESS IMPROVEMENTS**

**2019-20 Metrics Report**

Clause 10.3 of the [Strategic Agreement](https://www1.health.gov.au/internet/main/publishing.nsf/Content/CC4088EE246D44BFCA25811B002759EE/$File/Medicines%20Australia%20-%20Strategic%20Agreement.pdf) between the Commonwealth and Medicines Australia included objectives that needed to be addressed in any process improvement outcomes. Stage 1 PBS process improvements included the development of key metrics. The metrics provided below has been aggregated based on de-identified data in alignment with the main objectives of the agreement and will be published annually. The initial data set (below) includes metrics covering 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020.

**Pre-Submission Meetings**

* **39**[[1]](#footnote-1)pre-submission meetings were requested; **8** withdrawn; **33** accepted; **6** not accepted and **25** meetings have been held.

**Intent to Apply**

* **173** intent to apply forms were received
* **141** submissions were received (70 major submissions, 71 minor submissions)

**Notice of Intent for Pricing**

* **33%** of applicants with a recommended outcome lodged their notice of intent for pricing form by week 4 post the PBAC meeting (earliest opportunity)
* Of these applicants, **58%** submitted their pricing offer package in week 5 post the PBAC meeting (earliest opportunity)

**Pricing Pathways**

* **40%** of pricing offer packages complete when initially provided to the department
* **53%** of utilisation and cost model templates were initially provided to the department in the correct format
* For applicants who lodged their notice of intent for pricing form in week 4 and their pricing offer package in week 5, the time from PBAC minutes to PBS listing date was an average (mean) of **105 days** (approx. 3.5 months) and a median of **93 days** (approx. 3.1 months). This represents 15 out of 54[[2]](#footnote-2) listings.
* For all other applicants, the time from PBAC minutes to PBS listing date was an average (mean) of **148 days** (approx. 4.9 months) and a median of **124 days** (approx. 4 months). This represents 39 out of 54[[3]](#footnote-3)2 listings.
* The time from the department confirming the pricing offer package was lodged correctly to the department and the applicant reaching in principle pricing agreement was an average (mean) of **21.5 days** and a median of **13** **days**.

1. *10 pre-submissission meetings previously reported is now captured in the 2020-21 report.* [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. *There were 54, PBAC-recommended listings implemented on the PBS from 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020 where pricing services were required.* [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)