

National Respectful Relationships Education Expert Working Group

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The National Respectful Relationships Education Expert Working Group met for the second time on Tuesday, 18 July 2023. The meeting was chaired by Patty Kinnersly, Our Watch, with attendance from expert members and representatives from the Australian and state and territory governments, the National Catholic Education Commission, and Independent Schools Australia.

The second meeting provided members with the opportunity to participate in a presentation from Monash University Gender and Family Violence Prevention Centre regarding the 2022 findings from the national stocktake and gap analysis project (Respectful Relationships in Australia: Final Report) and to consider the linkages to the upcoming rapid review into respectful relationships education delivery in schools. Members also provided advice on scope of the review and examples of evidence-based respectful relationships education for inclusion in the review.

In addition, members were provided with an overview of the Consent and Respectful Relationships Education grants process, which will support the delivery of \$77.6 million for schools to invest in high quality, evidence based and age-appropriate respectful relationships education in primary and secondary schools.

The next meeting of the working group is scheduled for mid-August.