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**National Respectful Relationships Education Expert Working Group**

Communique: Meeting 5, 27 October 2023

The National Respectful Relationships Education Expert Working Group met for the fifth time on Friday, 27 October 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 fifth meeting provided members with the opportunity to participate in a presentation from Monash University’s Gender and Family Violence Prevention Centre regarding development of the National Respectful Relationships Education Framework, including preliminary findings from the literature review and consultations.

The Australian Government provided an update on implementation of the Consent and Respectful Relationships Education budget measure, including proposed methodology and distribution of funding to states, territories and the non-government school sector.

Members were also invited to provide feedback on the scope and methodology of the National Consent Survey following a presentation by the Australian Human Rights Commission.

The next meeting of the working group is scheduled for Thursday, 7 December 2023.