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Question:

The consultation list on the Commission's website states that the Commission has engaged with a number of government bodies. How did the Commission decide which bodies to engage with?

Answer:

In addition to working with the Commonwealth Government agencies, the National COVID-19 Coordination Commission (the Commission) has worked collaboratively with the state and territory governments, including through the National Coordination Mechanism, to identify cross-jurisdictional issues where business knowledge and networks can be mobilised to broker a solution. This engagement has evolved in line with the Commission's contribution to the whole-of-government response to the pandemic.