

ATAGI - Disclosures / Conflicts of Interest and historical information

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For the attention of:
Mark Butler
Minister for Health and Aged Care
Australian Government Department of Health and Aged Care

Mark Butler, the information in the ATAGI disclosure statement (20 September 2020) currently accessible on the ATAGI website is insufficient. (See ATAGI disclosure statement attached.)

As requested in my previous unanswered emails to the ATAGI Secretariat, please see below, there must be **more detail about pharmaceutical industry funding and associations of ATAGI members, including members of ATAGI working groups - there must be transparency, including details of companies funding ATAGI members and their institutions.**

Currently there is no historical information for previous members of ATAGI and ATAGI working groups on the ATAGI website, including disclosures - **this information should be publicly accessible to ensure transparency re historical ATAGI recommendations for vaccine products which are added to the taxpayer-funded vaccination schedule.**

I request your urgent response on this matter.

Sincerely
Elizabeth Hart
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From: **Elizabeth Hart <elizmhart@gmail.com>**
Date: Thu, Apr 21, 2022 at 11:01 AM
Subject: ATAGI - Disclosures / Conflicts of Interest - OUT OF DATE INFORMATION
To: ATAGI Secretariat <atagi.secretariat@health.gov.au>
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For the attention of:
ATAGI Secretariat

Please see below my email dated 14 January 2022 requesting clarification re the ATAGI disclosure statement.

The ATAGI disclosure statement currently accessible on the ATAGI website is not up-to-date, it provides a summary of disclosures from ATAGI members as at July 2020. (See copy attached.)

It is now April 2022 - where is the updated ATAGI disclosure statement?

Also, as noted in my email below, **I request more details about members' involvement with epidemiological surveillance research and vaccine safety research, e.g. details of who is funding/sponsoring this research?**

Currently there is no historical information for previous members of ATAGI on the ATAGI website, including disclosures - **this information should be publicly accessible to ensure transparency re ATAGI recommendations for vaccine products.**

Also, re related committees and groups, only the COVID-19 Working Group is listed - **where is information on other ATAGI working groups, including historical information?**

I request your urgent response on this matter, it's not acceptable to have information so out of date or inaccessible.

Sincerely
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From: **Elizabeth Hart <elizmhart@gmail.com>**
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Hi, re the Australian Technical Advisory Group on Immunisation (ATAGI) [Summary of disclosures from ATAGI Members - July 2020](#).

Is this disclosure statement up to date?

Can you please clarify any associations between ATAGI members and the pharmaceutical industry?

For example Allen Cheng and Nigel Crawford indicate they are an "Investigator on a number of epidemiological surveillance research and vaccine safety research".

Can you please provide details of who is funding/sponsoring this research. Is there a publicly accessible historical record of their research and disclosures?

Please also provide similar information for other members / ex officio members.

Thanks
Elizabeth Hart

2 attachments

 [atagi-declarations-of-interest - July 2020.pdf](#)
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 [atagi-declarations-of-interest 20 September 2020.pdf](#)
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