

National Illicit Tobacco and E-cigarette Coordination Forum

Meeting 10, 20 August 2025

Communique

The National Illicit Tobacco and E-cigarette Coordination (NITEC) Forum met on Wednesday, 20 August 2025.

The meeting was co-chaired by Amber Shuhyta, Illicit tobacco and E-cigarette Commissioner, and Susan Pearce AM, New South Wales Ministry of Health. Participants included senior officials from all state and territory health departments and police forces, the Australian Border Force, the Therapeutic Goods Administration, the Australian Federal Police and the Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission.

Topics discussed during the meeting included:

- Retail licencing relating to illicit tobacco and e-cigarettes.
- Enforcement Framework Memorandums of Understanding (MoUs).
- Information sharing about current disposal methodologies available on the Transport, Storage and Disposal Procurement Panel.
- Insights from the Illicit Tobacco and E-cigarette Commissioner.
- Updates from the Australian Federal Police, the Department of Health, Disability and Ageing and Australian Border Force regarding funding initiatives.

The next meeting of the NITEC Forum is proposed for Wednesday 15 October 2025.