



# Quality checks during the development of public health guidelines or advice

## Flow diagram description

- Appoint experts with a range of expertise and consumers to a committee to advise on the work
- Develop inclusion and exclusion criteria to determine the appropriate evidence to be considered
- Contract independent methods experts to check whether the approach to reviewing the evidence base is sound, non-biased and followed the agreed research protocol
- Use recognised tools to assess the evidence for quality and bias
- Seek NHMRC Council approval for release of draft guidelines or advice for consultation
- Release draft guidelines or advice and process documentation for public and targeted consultation to ensure all stakeholders are able to provide feedback for consideration
- Engage independent expert reviewers to provide comment on the draft guidelines or advice
- Seek NHMRC Council recommendation to release final guidelines or advice
- Release final guidelines or advice and process documentation that clearly outlines the steps and decisions made to arrive at the recommendations.