**Consultation Process – Citizen Space**

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

**Privacy and your personal information**

The Australian Government Department of Health (the Department) invites you to share your views on the *Consultation: Future regulation of assistive technologies*.

Your personal information is protected by law, including the *Privacy Act 1988* (Privacy Act) and the Australian Privacy Principles, and is being collected by the Department, via Citizen Space, for the purposes of conducting a consultation process in relation to the *Consultation: Future regulation of assistive technologies*. We will collect your personal information at the time that you provide a submission, unless you choose to make a submission anonymously, and you are not reasonably identifiable from the information provided in your submission.

If you prefer, you can make a submission directly via post or email at the following addresses: [devices@tga.gov.au](mailto:devices@tga.gov.au)

If you consent, we may publish part or all of your submission on our website. If your submission is published, we may identify you and/or your organisation as the author of the submission, if you consent to being identified. Please note that your email address will not be published and responses may be moderated to remove content that is inappropriate/offensive, or contains sensitive information.

Submissions which have been published on our website can be accessed by the general public, including people overseas. Ordinarily, where we disclose personal information to an overseas recipient, Australian Privacy Principle (APP) 8.1 requires us to take reasonable steps to ensure that the overseas recipients does not breach the APPs. However, if you consent to the publication of your submission, APP 8.1 will not apply to this disclosure and the Department will not be accountable under the Privacy Act for any subsequent use or disclosure of the submission by an overseas recipient, and you will not be able to seek redress under the Privacy Act.

You should not include information in your submission about another individual who is identified, or reasonably identifiable. If you need to include information about another individual in your submission, you will need to inform that individual of the contents of this notice and obtain their consent to the Department collecting their personal information.

You can get more information about the way in which the Department will manage your personal information, including our privacy policy, at https://www.health.gov.au/resources/publications/privacy-policy. You can obtain a copy of our privacy policy by contacting us using the details below. Our privacy policy contains information about:

* how you may access the personal information the Department holds about you and how you can seek correction of it; and
* how you may complain about a breach of
  + the APPs; or
  + a registered APP code that binds the Department; and
* how the Department will deal with such a complaint.

You can contact the Department by telephone on (02) 6289 1555 or freecall 1800 020 103 or by using the online enquiries form at www.health.gov.au.

**Record your consent via Online Survey**

Please use the survey response fields to record your consent and preferences. For example:

I consent to the Department collecting the information requested in Citizen Space about me, including any sensitive information, for the purposes indicated above.

I do not consent to the submission made by me being published on the Department’s website.

I consent to the submission made by me being published on the Department’s website, and accessible to the public, including persons overseas, in accordance with the following preference:

* Publish response, including both my name and organisation's name
* Publish response, without my name private but including my organisation's name
* Publish response without my name or my organisation's name.

By making a submission, I acknowledge that:

* I understand that the giving of my consent is entirely voluntary
* I am over the age of 18 years
* I understand the purpose of the collection, use, publication or disclosure of my submission
* I understand that copyright in the content of my submission will vest in the Commonwealth of Australia
* Where relevant, I have obtained the consent of any individuals whose personal information is included in my submission, to the Department collecting this information for the purposes outlined in this notice
* I understand that, where I have provided consent to my submission being published, the Department has complete discretion as to whether my submission, in full or part, will be published.