



## **Consumer Entered Notes Version 1.0**

### **Executive Summary**

#### **Introduction**

Consumer Entered Notes is for individuals to record notes into their Personally Controlled Electronic Health record (PCEHR) via the consumer portal. These notes are provided as a memory aid for individuals and their representatives. Consumer Entered Notes is a component of the Consumer Entered Information solution as defined in the PCEHR Concept of Operations document, along with Consumer Entered Health Summary, and is a step towards strengthening the involvement of the individual in their healthcare.

Implementers are advised that draft PCEHR legislation is currently before parliament referring to this Solution Bundle as "Consumer Only Notes".

This is a newly created utility developed from the PCEHR Concept of Operations document and derived via the associated national consultation process. NEHTA will continue to liaise with consumers, clinicians and vendors to define the detailed process associated with the functionality.

#### **Purpose**

This package is intended to initiate and foster the ongoing development of a series of national specifications and methods to support the structured exchange of consumer entered health information.

#### **Approach & Consultation**

The requirements for this package were based on the PCEHR Concept of Operation document. This document has been through a national consultation and review process.

#### **Benefits**

The Consumer Entered Notes package is designed to increase the individual's responsibility for their health, and to improve their health-awareness.

These aims are achieved by providing an avenue for the individual to record health related information into the PCEHR consumer notes area.

#### **Structure**

The Consumer Entered Notes Version 1.0 is built upon a series of interlocking national infrastructure services, developed by NEHTA's e-Health Foundations program, specifically designed to support the appropriate exchange of clinical and administrative information between participating healthcare providers.

#### **Feedback**

The NEHTA Continuity of Care Team welcomes feedback from national stakeholders on the content of the package documents. Feedback can be emailed to [nehtasupport@nehta.gov.au](mailto:nehtasupport@nehta.gov.au) as can any questions relating to this package.