Explanatory Statement

Public Health (Notifiable Conditions) **Determination 2022**

Disallowable Instrument DI2022-20

made under the

Public Health Act 1997, s 100 (Notifiable Conditions – Ministerial determination)

Part 6 of the *Public Health Act 1997* (the Act) provides for the monitoring and investigation of notifiable conditions so that public health action may be carried out in order to minimise the adverse public health effects of such conditions.

Under subsection 100 (1) of the Act the minister may in writing, determine-

- (a) a disease or medical condition to be a notifiable condition; and
- (b) a disease referred to in paragraph (a) to be a transmissible notifiable condition.

This instrument adds Group A streptococcal disease—invasive (iGAS) and Respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) infection to the previous list of notifiable diseases The determination is a disallowable instrument for the purposes of the *Legislation Act 2001*.

On 3 February 2021, the Australian Health Protection Principal Committee endorsed the Communicable Diseases Network Australia's (CDNA) recommendation that iGAS and RSV Infections be added to the National Notifiable Disease List (NNDL).

On 1 July 2021, the Australian Government amended the NNDL, made under the *National Health Security Act 2007*, to include iGAS and RSV infection to be nationally notifiable conditions.