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Proposal Title: Drug Summit

Cluster: Health

## General Government Sector Impacts

|                               | 2018-19<br>\$'000 | 2019-20<br>\$'000 | 2020-21<br>\$'000 | 2021-22<br>\$'000 | 4 year Total<br>\$'000 |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------------|
| Expenses (ex. depreciation)   | -                 | 1,500             | -                 | -                 | 1,500                  |
| Depreciation                  | -                 | -                 | -                 | -                 | -                      |
| Less: Offsets                 | -                 | 1,500             | -                 | -                 | 1,500                  |
| Revenue                       | -                 | -                 | -                 | -                 | -                      |
| <b>Net Operating Balance:</b> | -                 | -                 | -                 | -                 | -                      |

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| Capital Expenditure             | - | - | - | - | - |
| Capital Offsets                 | - | - | - | - | - |
| <b>Net Capital Expenditure:</b> | - | - | - | - | - |

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| <b>Net Lending/(Borrowing):</b> | - | - | - | - | - |
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## Total State Sector Impacts

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| <b>Net Lending/(Borrowing):</b> | - | - | - | - | - |
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## Notes and costing assumptions

This policy proposes the NSW Government hold a Drug Summit in 2019-20. The Summit would include a variety of stakeholders across the community, including: drug experts, family members of people affected by drug addiction, health workers, drug researchers, police, judges and politicians.

The PBO considers the cost of the Summit would likely range between \$1 and \$2 million. A future government would have scope to affect costs depending on the size of the venue, the Summit's duration, and the number of stakeholders invited.

The PBO has taken a mid-point cost of \$1.5 million in 2019-20. The proposal requires all costs of the summit to be met from within the existing resources of NSW Health, the Department of Justice and the Department of Parliamentary Services. Therefore the cost of this policy is nil.

The proposal also requires the resourcing currently allocated to the *Special Commission of Inquiry into the Drug Issue* to be folded into the Drug Summit. The policy does not specify whether the Inquiry itself would be terminated.

The costing does not include any funding assumptions related to the cost of achieving the outcomes of the proposed summit.