

# Doctor's Bag app decommission

The Commission will decommission the Doctor's Bag mobile app at midday (AEDT) on 10 February 2026, following a review of its use and the functionality of the app.

#### **Background**

In January 2023, the Doctor's Bag mobile application was transitioned from the former NPS MedicineWise to the Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care (the Commission). The Commission has conducted a review of the app to assess:

- the uptake of the app by clinicians
- the utility of the app
- the resources required to maintain the app
- quality and safety risks
- alternate sources for that information.

#### **Review outcome**

Key findings were that usage was low and those users reported limited value in the app, as General Practitioners (GPs) typically referred to published guidelines when verifying dosages and administrative requirements.

Based on the findings of this review the Commission has made the decision to decommission the app.

## When will the app be decommissioned?

The app will be decommissioned at midday AEDT, on Tuesday 10 February 2026.

## Can I continue to use the app until it is decommissioned?

Yes, the app will continue to function on your device.



### What will happen to the app on my phone after the decommission date?

Users should be aware that the app will still be accessible on your device after this date.

#### Why is it recommended the app be deleted from my device?

The app includes information including, adrenaline doses for anaphylaxis and calculators for weight-based dosing in children. These are subject to change, and any future changes will not be reflected in the app.

#### What should I do with the app after the decommission date?

It is recommended the app be deleted from your device.

#### What other resources are available?

GPs have access to a variety of handbooks and guidelines, including the following:

- Australian Medicines Handbook
- Australian Resuscitation Council (ARC) Guidelines
- Emergency Clinical Guidelines specific to local / state health authorities

### Will the Commission store any of my data after the decommission?

The Commission does not see or store any of your information from the app (including any notes you may make), nor is it stored in the cloud or in any other database.

## Who do I contact if I have questions?

If you have any questions, please email <a href="QUMCustomerService@safetyandquality.gov.au">QUMCustomerService@safetyandquality.gov.au</a>.