1. An Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA), which was signed by Agriculture/Primary Industries Ministers for each jurisdiction in 1995, provides the current basis for the operation of the National Registration Scheme for Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals.
2. In 2010, the Council of Australian Governments (COAG) approved *A National Policy Framework for the Assessment, Registration and Control of Use of Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals* (National Policy Framework).
3. The amended IGA retains the structure of the 1995 IGA and includes the policy principles and policy outcomes provided in the National Policy Framework agreed to by COAG. The IGA sets out the high-level structural framework necessary to maintain the system.
4. The IGA continues the partnership arrangements where the Commonwealth is responsible for the registration of agricultural and veterinary chemicals with each State and Territory remaining responsible for the control of use of such chemicals.
5. The IGA provides for the parties to take steps as are appropriate to provide for consistent regulation on minimum licensing and competency requirements for chemical users, controls on access and use, monitoring for residues in agricultural produce and record keeping obligations.
6. Specific details of reform elements of the scheme will be finalised during the implementation phase.
7. Cabinet approved that the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry ratify the Intergovernmental Agreement for a single National Regulatory Framework for agricultural and veterinary chemicals between the Commonwealth, State and Territory jurisdictions on behalf of Queensland.
8. *Attachments*
* [Intergovernmental Agreement for the single National Regulatory Framework for agricultural and veterinary chemicals](Attachments/IGA%20ag%20vet%20chemicals.pdf)