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IRO releases first Practice Note

The Independent Review Office has published its first practice note on the IRO website – [Interim Billing for Travel](#).

This practice note is the first to be published following recommendation from the [ILARS review](#) undertaken in 2022.

[Practice Notes](#) for the Independent Legal Assistance and Review Service (ILARS) [Funding Guidelines](#) (Guidelines):

- Provide detailed operational rules to assist Approved Lawyers to understand how the provisions of the Guidelines will be applied
- Permit the Independent Review Office (IRO) to quickly update information provided to Approved Lawyers about IRO's business processes

The Practice Notes may also be used to provide guidance on the kinds of supporting documents and information which are required by an ILARS grant manager to decide about a request for funding and to assist Approved Lawyers who are considering whether to seek a review of a funding decision.

The Practice Notes are developed by IRO in consultation with the IRO [Approved Lawyer User Group](#).

Regards,

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