

Formal Reference Groups, Committees and Meetings

Advocacy and representation		
Lead agency and meeting	Meeting summary	NADA and sector representative
NSW Ministry of Health NGO Advisory Committee	Provide advice to the Ministry and LHDs regarding NGO priorities, emerging issues, and gaps in service delivery, from which the Ministry can consider in planning, funding and investment decisions. Meets quarterly.	Larry Pierce
NSW Ministry of Health Centre for Population Health, AOD Branch Drug and Alcohol Program Council	Forum for broad NSW Health drug and alcohol program development and issue management. Includes senior MHDAO managers, LHD drug and alcohol directors, NADA and several other NGO representatives. Meets quarterly.	Larry Pierce Robert Stirling
NSW Ministry of Health Centre for Population Health, AOD Branch Program Council Quality in Treatment Subcommittee	Advice and development of NSW clinical treatment and services plans, policies and guidelines. Meets bi-monthly.	Suzie Hudson Garth Popple (Board member)
NSW Ministry of Health Centre for Population Health, AOD Branch NGO Contracting Working group	Provide input and guidance on: approaches to ensuring improved accountability and governance structures; methods to ensure quality and safety considerations are built into contractual agreements; ways to streamline contract processes; and the development of common KPIs for service contracts. Meets monthly.	Larry Pierce Robert Stirling
NSW Ministry of Health Drug and Alcohol Data Coordinators Forum	Coordinated by InforMH with LHD Data Coordinators and NADA as members. Primary purpose is to lead and manage drug alcohol MDS collection and reporting. Meets bi-monthly.	Suzie Hudson Cass McNamara Suzie Hudson
NSW Ministry of Health Agency for Clinical Innovation	The purpose of the Drug and Alcohol Network Executive Committee is to provide leadership, strategic direction, advice and guidance for the	Suzie Hudson Fiona Poeder

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Drug and Alcohol Executive Committee	activities of the Drug and Alcohol Network. Meets Quarterly.	
	Innovation Working Group A Connected System Working Group Primary Health Networks Working Group	Suzie Hudson Sianne Hodge Robert Stirling

Partnerships and collaborations

Lead agency and meeting	Meeting summary	NADA and sector representative
Aboriginal Health & Medical Research Council of NSW NSW Aboriginal Residential Healing Drug and Alcohol Network (NARHDAN)	NARHDAN consist of NSW Aboriginal community controlled residential service providers. The group meet to share information, network, participate in organisational and capacity development and are a source of advice and expertise on matters relevant to working with Aboriginal drug and alcohol clients and workforce. NARHDAN members are also members of NADA. Meets quarterly.	Suzie Hudson
ACHS and NADA Partnership Meeting	Irregular forum to develop communication and collaboration for the purpose of supporting NADA members engaged in ACHS EQulP. Meets quarterly to six monthly.	Sianne Hodge
Alcohol & Drug Foundation Community Engagement and Action Program Advisory Committee	Provide strategic advice to the Community Engagement and Action Program, including support the direction of Community Drug Action Teams. Meets three times per year.	Helena Hodgson
Clinical Outcome Quality Indicator (COQI) Data Management Group	Provide expert advice on the clinical elements of the framework including but not limited to feedback on framework metrics from a clinical perspective, implications for clinical pathways, clinician training	Suzie Hudson/ Cass McNamara

	and dashboard indicators. COQI Framework Clinical Consultation Group Meets 3 times over the course of the project	Suzie Hudson/Cass McNamara
Commonwealth Department of Health (NSW/ACT office) Partnership Meeting	Regular meeting to discuss national projects, Sector Capacity Building Program and issues affecting the sector. Meets bi-monthly.	Robert Stirling Larry Pierce
DAMEC Research Sub Committee	Provides advice on the development of research into access and treatment for multicultural populations in AOD. Meets bi-monthly.	Suzie Hudson
Family and Community Services NGO Housing Partners Reference Group	Provides advice and coordinate NGO homelessness services across the health and social services sectors. Meets quarterly	Larry Pierce
Hepatitis NSW & NADA Partnership Meeting	Regular meeting to discuss the collaborative activities described in the MoU. Meets quarterly.	Robert Stirling Sianne Hodge
Homelessness NSW Sydney Women's Homelessness Alliance	The Sydney Women's Homelessness Alliance (SWHA) is a cross agency sector collaboration aimed at assisting and improving a woman's journey through the complexity of the service system within the inner city. SWHA aims to identify emerging service gaps, segmentation and inequities in terms of service provision for women. Meets monthly.	Rubi Montecinos
The Lyndon Progress Program (Re-Pin Project) Advisory Group	Aims to inform the establishment of the RE-PIN Project (Receive, Encode, Process and Integrate) drug and alcohol treatment strategies for people with a cognitive impairment. The project aims to develop an AOD program that will cater for individuals with cognitive impairment while not excluding those without. The group meet via teleconference quarterly.	Rubi Montecinos
MHCC and NADA CMHDARN Research Network	Provides advice on the development, implementation and evaluation of MHCC and NADA's the Community Mental Health Drug and Alcohol Research Network	Sianne Hodge Suzie Hudson

Project Reference Group	(CMHDARN). Meets quarterly.	
MHCC and NADA CMHDARN Research Network Steering Committee	Provides advice on the development, implementation and evaluation of MHCC and NADA's the Community Mental Health Drug and Alcohol Research Network (CMHDARN). Meets quarterly.	Larry Pierce Robert Stirling
Mental Health Commission of NSW Review of Headline Indicators to Monitor Mental Health Reform Commission of NSW	This Project Steering Committee is tasked to conduct a fit for propose review of the Commissions existing headline indicators of its Living Well Strategic Plan. It will monitor the review of the current progress of the Overall Mental Health reform process in NSW.	Larry Pierce
National Centre for Clinical Research on Emerging Drugs of Concern Board – NGO AOD Peak representative	The Centre supports clinical treatment interventions across the AOD spectrum from prevention to dependence at all levels of severity and for all population groups. The Centre integrates its work with other relevant professional and academic bodies, relevant governments and communities. Meets quarterly.	Robert Stirling Suzie Hudson
National Drug and Alcohol Peaks Capacity Building Network	Facilitate cross jurisdictional collaboration, knowledge and information sharing, reduce duplication and further common strategic interests in relation to the DoH funded Sector Capacity Building Project. Monthly teleconference and twice yearly face-to-face.	Sianne Hodge Ana de Jesus
National Drug and Alcohol Peaks CEO Group	Alliance of state and territory drug and alcohol peaks to identify and respond to policy and service delivery issues at a national level. The group focuses on government reform process, drug and alcohol program development and NGO grant funding. Provides opportunity to discuss local issues impacting on the sector, seek advice and share resources. Monthly teleconference.	Larry Pierce Robert Stirling
National Drug and Alcohol Peaks Network and Research Centre Collaboration	Collaboration between the peaks network and the three national AOD research centre's to look at opportunities for collaborative research, identify and inform research priorities and share information. Quarterly teleconference.	Larry Pierce Robert Stirling
National Drug Research Institute	Social Studies of Addiction Concepts Research Program advisory group meeting. Providing advice	Robert Stirling

Experiences of Addiction, Treatment and Recovery Advisory Group	and facilitating access to NSW services.	
NSW Council of Social Service (NCOSS) Forum of Non Government Organisations (FONGA)	Facilitated by NCOSS on behalf of the broader NGO health and social services sector in NSW, it acts as a lobbying group in relation to NSW government policy and programs. FONGA is also used by government as a consultation forum. Meets bi-monthly.	Cass McNamara
NCOSS Health Policy Advisory Group (HPAG)	Facilitated by NCOSS, this group discusses broad health policy matters and makes submissions to government on key health program and service delivery issues. HPAG contributes to the development of health component of the NCOSS pre-budget submission to the NSW government. Meets quarterly.	Larry Pierce
NCOSS Sector Development Forum	Forum to focus on sector/industry development within NCOSS and the NSW community sector. Meets bi-monthly.	Sianne Hodge
NUAA & NADA Partnership Meeting	Regular meeting to discuss the collaborative activities described in the MoU. Meets quarterly.	Robert Stirling Sianne Hodge
Primary Health Networks	Regular meeting to discuss statewide planning and coordination Regional PHN committees Central & Eastern Sydney Community Council Hunter New England D&A Expert Reference Group Murrumbidgee MHDA Expert Reference Group Nepean Blue Mountains Advisory Group South West Sydney DA Working Group WentWest (Western Sydney) AOD Advisory Group	Larry Pierce Robert Stirling Larry Pierce Robert Stirling Suzie Hudson Suzie Hudson Suzie Hudson Cass McNamara
Public Health Association of Australia National Complex Needs Alliance	The National Complex Needs Alliance (NCNA) objective is to promote and support partnerships and collaboration in service delivery to achieve better long term outcomes for people with complex needs. The Alliance meet at least twice per year.	Rubi Montecinos
QIP and NADA Partnership Meeting	Meets six monthly to develop communication and collaboration for the purpose of supporting NADA members engaged in QIP quality programs.	Sianne Hodge

University of Newcastle and NDARC Alcohol Treatment Centre Study	Treatment Centre Recruitment Working Group supports the recruitment of services to the study. Measure Development and Data Collection Working Group informs the use of measures and data collection.	Robert Stirling Suzie Hudson
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