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Noticeboard



Nominations are now open for the NSW Non Government Alcohol and other Drugs Awards
[Nominate an individual or organisation](#) for their significant contribution in reducing alcohol and other drugs related harms to NSW communities. **Nominations close March 31.**

Award categories

- Outstanding Contribution Award (Individual applicants only)
- Excellence in Treatment Award
- Excellence in Health Promotion Award
- Excellence in Research and Evaluation Award
- Excellence in Quality Development Award

NADA Conference 2016—Integrated Care: Working together to respond to complexity

Thank you for the enthusiastic response to our call for abstracts; the numbers indicate high interest in the conference. The key conference themes are integrated solutions to complex needs, responding to tobacco, drug trends, developing a thriving workforce, empowering consumers, therapeutic conversations, responding to the needs of children, domestic and family violence, sexual health and blood borne viruses. **Early bird registrations close March 31. [Register now.](#)**

Measuring outcomes in drug and alcohol services: Shaping the future

31 Mar 2016

UNSW Kensington, Sydney

NADA has worked with UNSW to bring together a [symposia](#) on current and future approaches to measuring health and social outcomes for people who access alcohol and other drugs (AOD) treatment. The movement towards outcomes based reporting and funding is fraught with challenges, with differing views from a diverse range of treatment types, philosophies and stakeholders.

Ask the experts: CMHDARN best practice guide to enabling consumer and carer leadership in research and evaluation

[Ask the experts](#) [PDF] is a short and accessible 'how to' guide to involving consumers and carers in each and every stage of research and evaluation, including co-production and research leadership. It is intended to empower you to work with consumers and/or carers as active instigators, developers, leaders and experts by experience.

Perpetrator interventions research stream grants now open

[New funding](#) is now available for research on interventions and responses to perpetrators of domestic, family and sexual violence. Partnerships between academic researchers and community-based practitioners are strongly encouraged. Please consider this [networking database](#) as a resource for establishing these partnerships. Applications close **5pm AEST 28 April 2016**.

Indigenous Australians' health programme: Tackling indigenous smoking innovation grants

The Australian Government has made available \$6.3 million over three financial years from June 2016 to June 2018 for [innovation grants](#). These projects will offer innovative and intense activities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to reduce smoking prevalence in remote areas, for pregnant women and for young people vulnerable to entrenched cultural norms of smoking. Grant applications close **2pm 31 March 2016**.

APSAD 2016 Conference—call for abstracts now open

The [2016 APSAD Conference](#) to be held in Sydney is now open for abstract submissions. Abstracts must be submitted by **Sunday 15 May 2016**.

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NOTICE

New-look NADAbase and the NADAbase online tutorial are here!

You may have noticed a change when you logged in to NADAbase recently. We have been working away behind the scenes to update the look of NADAbase and to upgrade the NSW MDS in line with government changes. The other exciting news is that we have developed a [NADAbase online tutorial](#) where you can learn how to use NADAbase and all its features at your own convenience, or to refresh yourself on its features at the touch of a button. We would love to hear your feedback on these changes, or to contact us for support email ITsupport@nada.org.au.

EVENTS



6–7 June 2016 | Sydney

NADA Conference 2016

Integrated care

Working together to respond to complexity

Early bird registrations close March 31

Register now

What's gender got to do with it? A forum on improving outcomes for women in alcohol and other drugs treatment

22 March 2016

The Grace Hotel, Sydney

Registrations close 15th March 2015, [register now](#) to attend this cross sectoral forum on working with women with AOD issues hosted by NADA and the NADA Women's AOD Services Network.

NUAA knows how: Passport to harm reduction workshop

30 March 2016

Level 3, 414 Elizabeth Street, Surry Hills

The NSW Users and AIDS Association invites NADA members to come fly with NUAA's experts to learn practical skills to use in your work with people who inject drugs: blood borne virus (BBV) and bacterial transmission prevention, vein care, filtering, overdose in context, and more. [Register now.](#)

Workshops exploring the gendered nature of trauma, addiction and recovery

Save the date: 5 May 2016 or 26 May 2016

More information will be available soon on the NADA events page.

NADA Conference 2016—Integrated care: working together to respond to complexity

6–7 June 2016

The Grace Hotel, Sydney

Bringing together people from across the alcohol and other drugs sector, this conference will provide a forum to highlight and foster interagency partnerships. This is a vital opportunity for the sector to exchange best practice and showcase its achievements in responding to complexity. **Early bird registrations close March 31.** [Register now.](#)

See all NADA events on the [Events Page](#).



ADVOCATE

Issue 4, December 2015

In this issue, we ask guest writers to explore the theme of drug trends. We present snapshots from three services presenting innovative responses to clients accessing treatment for methamphetamine use, profile Sydney MSIC's Take Home Naloxone project and investigate drug use trends among lesbian, bisexual and queer women in the Sydney gay and lesbian community.

Read features from

- Drug and Alcohol Multicultural Education Centre
- National Drug and Alcohol Research Centre
- NSW Ministry of Health, and
- The Buttery.

[Click here](#) to view the Advocate.

Share the Advocate

Can all employees of your service access the Advocate? Some members print a copy for the lunch room; others forward the Advocate email to staff. You can also contact [Sharon](#) to add emails to the Advocate mailing list.

Contribute to the next issue

Members and stakeholders can promote new services and projects, innovative partnerships, awards and achievements, research activity or upcoming events. To express your interest, or send content, email [Sharon](#).

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New Resources

Capacity building and change management: A guide for community services

This fantastic [resource](#) [PDF], updated by the Victorian Alcohol and Drug Association (VAADA), provides useful step by step guidance and templates to assist agencies to translate evidence into practice.

New NSW hepatitis C treatments infographic

[Download and print a poster](#) [PDF], created by Hepatitis NSW, detailing the new treatments for adults with hepatitis C genotypes 1, 2 or 3 and a Medicare card.

New resources on the rollout of the NDIS in NSW

The Department of Family and Community Services, Ageing, Disability and Homecare have released a [video and poster](#) illustrating how the NDIS will be rolled out across NSW, how people can access the scheme, and how to prepare.

Gender, bodies and relationships passport

[The Passport](#), developed by the National LGBTI Health Alliance, is a tool to support clear communication between people and organisations. It promotes best possible care for people who have historically faced mistreatment or exclusion on the basis of the genders and bodies.

A to Z directory of homeless help

Developed in partnership between Infoxchange, Google, realestate.com.au and News Corp Australia, [AskIzzy](#) is a free online directory to help people experiencing homeless to find food, shelter, health and other critical support services.

Why is the NSW prison population still growing? Another look at prison trends between 2011 and 2015 report

NSW Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research [report](#) [PDF] examines the factors driving the upward trend of imprisonment in NSW.

Aboriginal communities improving Aboriginal health report

Aboriginal Health & Medical Research Council present this [literature review](#) that collates and synthesises the published literature documenting the contributions ACCHSs have made to the health and wellbeing of Aboriginal communities.

Legal Aid NSW 2016 publications catalogue and law for community workers workshop calendar . Available now.

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Calendar

Recognizing and resolving traumatic stress—early bird ends December 20

14–15 March 2016

Wesley Theatre, Sydney

Author of *The Body Keeps the Score*, Dr Bessel van der Kolk will illustrate how traumatic stress affects the developing mind and brain in this [two-day seminar workshop](#).

Sydney MSIC safer injecting workshop

21 March 2016

Sydney MSIC, Kings Cross

The [interactive workshop](#) [PDF] includes a new component for the administration of Narcan (Naloxone) in a community setting. Now available 'over the counter' from pharmacists, it is the only medication that reverses the effects of an opiate overdose. Participants will receive a Narcan take-home kit, containing two doses of Narcan.

Creating Synergy 2016—Methamphetamine: integrated care throughout the client journey

22–23 March 2016

Sage Hotel, Wollongong

The [conference](#) aims to provide a complete picture of the support, services and treatment options available for methamphetamine use, and more importantly, it will help us understand the client's lived experience.

Free webinar series on trauma in alcohol and other drug settings

The Victorian Change Agent Network has announced their first webinar series on trauma within the alcohol and other drug (AOD) settings. Topics include the complexities of working with family violence and substance abuse, adolescent family violence, forensic clients in AOD, implementing trauma informed care into AOD settings. The Seminar Series will run from March–June. For more information [click here](#) or register at turningpoint-au.webex.com.

Social research conference on HIV, viral hepatitis and related diseases

31 March–1 April 2016

UNSW Kensington campus, Sydney

Margins and belonging: Marginalised people building community is the theme for UNSW Centre for Social Research in Health's [conference](#).

National ice action summit

19 April 2016

Novotel Sydney Central, Sydney

The [summit](#) will bring together diverse stakeholders to develop collaborative cross sector approaches and solutions to the challenge of combatting ice use across our communities.

Rethinking prevention: A broader agenda

12–13 May 2016

Hotel Grand Chancellor, Hobart

Presented by the Alcohol Tobacco and other Drugs Council of Tasmania, [the conference](#) encourages presenters and delegates to discuss how we support and provide prevention, treatment and harm reduction interventions in the current environment and into the future.

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Positions Vacant

AOD Workers (Part Time)—WHOS Rozelle Campus

Applications close 14 March 2016

[Learn more](#).

Complex Needs Nurse (Part Time)—WHOS Rozelle Campus

Applications close 15 March 2016

[Learn more](#).

Positions vacant advertisements

NADA members can advertise positions vacant for free. The advertisements are placed on the NADA website and distributed to all members through the Member eUpdate. For more information, email [Craig](#).

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