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Noticeboard

Translational research grants scheme: Alcohol and other drugs early intervention innovation fund

A new [Alcohol and other drugs early intervention innovation fund](#) (TRGS AOD) is open for applications. TRGS AOD invites non government organisations and host organisations to participate in the new program. Information sessions by operator-assisted teleconference have been arranged for 20 September. Please register your interest and availability to dial into one of the sessions by emailing TRGS@doh.health.nsw.gov.au. You can also forward questions ahead of time to the same email address.

Guidelines for practitioners and clinicians in the sexual assault and AOD sectors

The ANROWS-funded research report, titled [Establishing the connection](#), along with the [practitioner and policy recommendations](#), have informed a set of [guidelines to assist AOD service providers](#).

New self-assessment tool from NSW Health

How ready are you to operate in a contestable funding environment? [This self-assessment tool](#) will show you what your current business development and tendering capabilities are using a range of key indicators. You can also access webinars and other procurement tools and resources by logging onto the [NGO online learning portal](#).

Expressions of interest to sit on the ACI Consumer Council—closes 15 September

The Agency for Clinical Innovation is inviting expressions of interest from people interested in sitting on the [ACI Consumer Council](#). The ACI is keen to appoint new members to the council to represent the diverse interests of the NSW community. Contact [Sarah Barter](#) for more information.

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NADA

NOTICE

New resource: NADA Program evaluation guide

We are very excited to launch the NADA Program evaluation guide. In an environment where evaluation is norm, [this guide](#) has been developed to support members to measure the impact of the work they do. Members will also receive a copy of the guide in the mail.



Did you know?

Did you know with just a little planning your programs and events can run like clockwork? NADA has developed templates to help you plan, execute and evaluate programs and events. Download the [NADA Policy Toolkit 2nd Edition](#) and navigate to Administration and support > Program Management > Supporting Documents.

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EVENTS

[Identifying and responding to domestic violence in AOD settings workshop](#)

29 September 2016

NADA: Level 2, 619 Elizabeth Street, Redfern

[Register now](#), spaces are limited. Regional and rural members may be eligible to receive a travel reimbursement.

[Methamphetamine capacity building workshops: Dubbo, Goulburn and Wagga Wagga](#)

10 October 2016

Wagga Wagga

Contact [Suzie](#) for more information.

[Are you asking the DV question? Identifying and responding to victims of domestic violence in AOD settings](#)

13 October 2016

The Rydges, Surry Hills

NADA and the Women's AOD Services Network invite you to attend this free, one-day information and networking forum exploring the importance of identifying and responding to victims of domestic violence (DV) in AOD settings. [Register now](#). Regional and rural members may be eligible to receive a travel reimbursement. Email [Vicky](#) for more information.

[Get bloody serious: a workshop all about hep C, from prevention to cure](#)

14 October 2016

414 Elizabeth Street, Surry Hills

Get the latest developments on hepatitis C and engage your clients, organisations, and communities to help eradicate hep C. NADA and Hepatitis NSW are partnering to offer NADA members the opportunity to attend this interactive workshop. [Register now](#). Regional and rural members may be eligible to receive a travel reimbursement. Email [Vicky](#) for more information.

[Working with women engaged in alcohol and other drug treatment](#)

27 October 2016

NADA: Level 2, 619 Elizabeth Street, Redfern

Come and be a part of an engaging and practical training workshop that will enhance your skills for engaging with women and provide insights into best practice approaches when working with women that can be applied in your organisation. [Register now](#). Regional and rural members may be eligible to receive a travel reimbursement. Email [Vicky](#) for more information.

[NADA 2016 annual general meeting—it's a voting year!](#)

21 November 2016

The Rydges, Surry Hills

All current board members have served their three year stint and under NADA's constitution must renominate if they wish to remain on the Board of Directors. Please note, membership must be current, with fees paid, for delegates to vote. [Register now](#) to cast your votes for a new board for the next three years!

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

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In this edition of the Advocate, guest writers share how they support people with alcohol and drug use issues—including women and children experiencing domestic violence, Aboriginal communities, and people on release from custody—in a more integrated manner.

Read features from:

- Matua Raki
- Centre for Social Research in Health
- NSW Ministry of Health
- Sydney Medically Supervised Injecting Centre.

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Share your news with members and stakeholders

Members and stakeholders can promote new services and projects, partnerships, achievements or research activity in the next issue. Express your interest by emailing [Sharon](#).

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New Resources

Co-occurring alcohol and other drug and mental health conditions in alcohol and other drug treatment settings (second edition)

These [guidelines](#) [PDF], published by the NHMRC Centre of Research Excellence in Mental Health and Substance Use, NDARC, aim to increase the knowledge and awareness of co-occurring mental health conditions in AOD treatment settings, improve the confidence and skills of AOD workers and increase the uptake of evidence-based care.

New FASD diagnostic tool and resources

A new Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASD) diagnostic tool and other [resources](#) have been developed to help workers to identify and support people with FASD.

New The FASD Handbook

The Drug Education Network, Tasmania have released The FASD handbook which provides health and alcohol and other drug workers with clear guidelines when working in a prevention framework. For more information visit <http://www.den.org.au/resources>.

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Calendar

Centre for Community Welfare Training (ACWA/CCWT) training wallchart July–December 2016

[Download now.](#)

New opportunities in mental health higher education

In 2017 the Health Education and Training Institute (HETI) will launch higher education programs in mental health. Click [here](#) for more information and to express interest.

Public Interest Advisory Centre training calendar to October 2016

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[Webinar on how frontline workers can improve the safety of women online](#)

15 September 2016, 1 pm

This [webinar](#) on technology facilitated abuse will focus on how frontline workers can support women with practical advice and tools to increase their safety when using digital technology and online media.

[New opportunities for NGOs in primary health care](#)

19 September 2016

Woolloomooloo

Attend this [workshop](#) to understand the primary health care landscape, including how Medicare works, the new commissioning roles of the PHNs, and the interface between the NDIS and primary health care.

[Prevalent and preventable: international conference on violence against women](#)

19–22 September 2016

Adelaide Convention Centre, South Australia

This [conference](#) will bring together a diverse group of people including service workers, community advocates, policy makers, researchers, government/non-government and other professionals from around the world to discuss ways to prevent violence against women and children.

[Explore five counselling techniques in one day](#)

20 September 2016

Penrith

Enhance your counselling skills in this interactive [workshop](#) on CBT, solution focused therapy, motivational interviewing, narrative therapy, and gestalt therapy.

[10th Australasian viral hepatitis conference](#)

29 September–1 October 2016

Gold Coast, Queensland

This is a multidisciplinary [conference](#) concerned with viral hepatitis. Preconference events include a [meeting](#) to explore optimal models for delivering care to people with hepatitis C from diverse backgrounds and settings.

[Global alcohol policy conference 2017](#)

4–6 October 2016

Melbourne, Victoria

'Mobilising for change: alcohol policy and the evidence for action' is the theme of this year's [conference](#).

[Self care for Aboriginal workers](#)

5 October 2016

Venue TBA

This [workshop](#) is designed to assist Aboriginal staff in developing skills to address additional cultural complexities and maintain wellbeing whilst working within a health or community services setting.

[Safer injecting workshop](#)

10 October 2016

Kings Cross

This [workshop](#), run by Sydney Medically Supervised Injecting Centre (MSIC), aims to enhance your skills in relation to working with people who inject drugs and provide the best harm minimisation advice. An optional tour of MSIC prior to workshop commencement. The workshop costs \$200. Contact rglasgow@uniting.org for booking information.

[4th National Indigenous drug and alcohol conference](#)

11–14 October

Glenelg, South Australia

This [conference](#) will highlight the contributing role that AOD misuse has on the health and life expectancy of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

[AH&MRC central and lower west NSW regional forum](#)

18–19 October 2016

Wellington

This [workshop](#) facilitates Aboriginal social and emotional wellbeing and enables AOD, mental health and

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Trauma-informed care and practice

24 October 2016

Sydney

This [training](#) provides attendees with the knowledge and skills to better inform them about, and be sensitive to the possibility of past and present traumas in clients and staff, and the vulnerabilities which accompany them.

SMART recovery facilitator training for western Sydney organisations at no cost (limited places)

Running over two days in October, TBD

Western Sydney

Staff from western Sydney AOD organisations may attend [SMART recovery facilitator training](#) at no cost. Each participating organisation must establish at least one new SMART Recovery that is accessible to the public. To find out if you are eligible, [email](#) or phone 9373 5100. Training is limited to two to three staff per organisation.

2016 APSAD scientific alcohol and drug conference

30 October–2 November 2016

Sydney

This [conference](#) will showcase high quality scientific research and lessons learnt from practitioners working in the AOD field.

2016 Rural and remote mental health symposium

3–4 November 2014

Kingscliff

'Working together, integrating care' is the theme of the [symposium](#). It offers a unique opportunity to learn about exciting new initiatives, to discuss challenges, and to workshop solutions in rural and remote mental health.

Working therapeutically with people who have complex trauma histories

3–4 November 2014

Sydney

This [two-day course](#) provides the knowledge and practice framework to enable practitioners to establish safe, supportive, therapeutic relationships with people affected by abuse, neglect and/or attachment trauma.

Effective boards need good governance

8.30am–9.30am each Wednesday from 16 November

NCOSS is hosting a series of five one hour webinars exploring what governance actually is and its role as the basis of a successful organisation. For more information visit the [website](#).

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Positions Vacant

Transition workers—Community Restorative Centre

Applications close 16 September 2016

[Learn more.](#)

Therapist—Odyssey House

Applications close 18 September 2016

[Learn more.](#)

Manager—Woman's only residential TC

Applications close 19 September 2016

[Learn more.](#)

Invitation for board members—Phoebe House

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