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LAST CHANCE to learn about the new contract environment at NADA's AGM

21 November 2016

Rydges, Surry Hills NSW

This year's AGM will feature a session titled 'Working together for a new contract environment for the NGO and AOD sector'. It will include a presentation by Dr Jo Mitchell, Executive Director, Centre for Population Health, NSW Ministry of Health, followed by a Q&A session. [Register now.](#)

Launch of the Women's AOD Services Network Gender Responsive Model of Care

21 November 2016 at the NADA AGM

Rydges, Surry Hills NSW

Dr Jo Mitchell, Executive Director, Centre for Population Health, NSW Ministry of Health will be launching the Women's Network Gender Responsive Model of Care at the [NADA AGM](#). The model aims to provide a comprehensive description of the nature and approach of the specialist women's AOD services provided in NSW. [Join us at the AGM](#) to learn more, or look out for updates in NADA communications.

Expression of interest: Youth homelessness prevention program for young people leaving OOHC service delivery

FACS.16.156 closes 30 November 2016

The Department of Family and Community Services is seeking expressions of interest for a pilot initiative diverting young people leaving out-of-home-care from the homelessness service system. Young people will be supported through a suite of services including Personal Advisor (based upon the U.K. model), education and employment mentoring, transitional accommodation support and subsidised head-leased accommodation. The pilot will be rolled out in targeted locations during 2017 and will operate to June 2020. \$10 million per annum over four years has been allocated. For more information, [click here.](#)

Request for proposal: Social impact investments

RFT-10007151 closes 12 December 2016

The NSW Government seeks suitably skilled and experienced partners to achieve better social and financial outcomes for individuals and communities in NSW through social impact investment. The government has issued an invitation for expressions of interest or preliminary proposals. For further details and to apply, [click here.](#)

Request for proposal: AOD funding—engagement of primary health workers and specialists

WENWST-746002 closes 19 December 2016

Western Sydney Primary Health Network is seeking proposals from service providers for the provision of clinical liaison services/staff to address reluctance of some practitioners to get involved in the treatment of

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funding up to \$150,000 (GST exclusive) for each individual project per annum pro rata. For more details and to apply, register on the [Tenderlink Portal](#).

Needs analysis survey for drug and alcohol youth treatment services—closes 18 November

As you will be aware, the NSW Government has increased funding by \$75 million over four years to tackle alcohol and other drug misuse in NSW communities. A key component of this package is \$24 million over four years to help more young people. Of this \$24 million to help young people, \$16 million over four years has been allocated to expanding access to youth detox and treatment services. In addition the investment will include enhancements to medical workforce capacity.

The Ministry has developed a [short survey](#) to assist in development of youth detox and treatment services. The survey asks for your opinions on effective models of drug and alcohol service provision for young people in Australia, service gaps, priorities for under-served youth populations and how these should best be addressed. For more information, please contact Mr Daniel Madeddu on 9391 9251.

AOD Knowledge Centre user survey—closes 18 November 2016

Take part in the Australian Indigenous Alcohol and Other Drug Knowledge Centre's user [survey](#) to ensure that the centre can continue to deliver a resource that meets your needs. You can choose to submit an entry for the prize draw of either a \$350 gift voucher or an iPad Mini 2.

Workforce development survey

NCETA is collaborating with researchers at Queensland University of Technology (QUT) to undertake a [workforce development study](#), to inform options for tertiary AOD education including providing valuable insights into the AOD workforce by exploring skills, knowledge, and attributes required to work in this field and associated gaps. The survey is aimed at AOD workers in clinical and management roles, such as psychologists, nurses, social workers or counsellors. Please also forward it to relevant staff (including new graduates) in AOD roles. Should you have any questions, please email hollie.wilson@qut.edu.au or fotina.hardy@qut.edu.au.

Call for abstracts: The global alcohol policy conference—closes 22 January 2017

Co-hosted by FARE, the Global Alcohol Policy Alliance, Public Health Association of Australia and National Alliance for Action on Alcohol, this conference will focus on advocacy, countering vested interests in alcohol policy development, and the need for international collaboration to stop the harm caused by alcohol. [Find out more](#).

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NOTICE

NADA Methamphetamine capacity building in regional and rural NSW

NADA recently completed a capacity building initiative that was conducted in three regional locations in NSW as determined by the NSW Ministry of Health—Dubbo, Goulburn and Wagga Wagga. The initiative aimed to:

1. facilitate planning sessions that would consolidate and elicit investment from all relevant stakeholders in the model of care particular to each site
2. identify referral pathways and build on an integrated care approach across a variety of service providers in the local communities
3. deliver a training workshop that would engage participants in conversations and skills development that builds on best practice approaches for working with people experiencing issues with their methamphetamine use—including their families, carers and significant others.

Key outcomes of the initiative were that a total of 97 workers attended the methamphetamine capacity building training across the three locations, 100% of evaluation respondents reported that the training overall was valuable and 95-100% of training evaluation respondents felt the opportunity to meet other

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Did you know NADA has developed a Financial Management Policy to help you update your organisation's financial management framework?

Download it from [Templates > Governance and Leadership](#) section in the [NADA policy toolkit](#).

EVENTS**NADA 2016 Annual general meeting—it's a voting year!****21 November 2016****Rydges, Surry Hills**

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Workshop: Prevention and de-escalation of crisis in young people**One-day introductory training****22 November 2016****Collective Purpose—Suite 501, 80 William Street, Woolloomooloo, 2011**

This free, interactive workshop will provide participants with an introduction to Cornell University's Therapeutic Crisis Intervention (TCI), a trauma-informed crisis prevention and management system for working with young people. Note: This is an introductory workshop. Participants will not be accredited in TCI by completing this training. [Register now](#).

FREE CMHDARN Framing a research idea and getting it over the line: a practical workshop**29 November 2016****Mantra, Parramatta***Registration is essential—morning tea and lunch will be provided*

Interested in channelling your ideas into building better services for people living with mental distress and alcohol and other drugs issues? CMHDARN invites you to a *free* one-day practical workshop, 'Framing a research idea and getting it over the line'. Pitch your ideas to people who can guide and help you to plan for success. Walk away from the day with a concrete plan to take to your workplace. Download the registration [form](#) or email [Kathy](#) for more information..

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

**ADVOCATE****Issue 3, September 2016**

What lies ahead for the AOD sector? Learn how we are exploiting digital media, explore cutting-edge projects, and see how we can engage young people to connect with their community.

Read features from

- Harm Reduction Australia
- NSW Ministry of Health
- King's College London
- NSW STI Programs Unit
- DAMEC.

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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

Communities matter

The Mental Health Commission of NSW and Suicide Prevention Australia have developed a suicide prevention toolkit for small towns. The toolkit is freely available as an online resource and provides:

- a guide on how to set up and run a local suicide prevention action group
- fact sheets, sample documents and templates
- stories from existing action groups
- opportunities to connect with like-minded community leaders
- information on how to help as an individual.

[Click here](#) to view the toolkit. A wide range of materials are available for [download and printing](#).

Free eBook on volatile substance use

The Australian Indigenous Alcohol and Other Drug Knowledge Centre has launched a new eBook about volatile substance use (VSU) based on the Review of volatile substance use among Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. The VSU eBook has been created for Apple devices and desktop computers and is [free to download](#) from iTunes and via the Knowledge Centre.

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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.

Children's attachment needs in the context of out-of-home care

16 November

Webinar 1:30 pm to 2:30 pm AEDT

Presented by Dr Sara McLean, psychologist and research fellow at the Australian Centre for Child Protection, this [webinar](#) will discuss attachment theory with special emphasis on its strengths and limitations for informing practice in out-of-home care.

Effective boards need good governance

8.30 am–9.30 am each Wednesday until 14 December

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](#).

Drug user advocacy: Reflections and prospects

23 November 2016

UNSW Kensington

Annie Madden will reflect on over two decades of experience representing people who inject drugs at the

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the roles of drug user advocates and drug user organisations have changed in that time. [More information.](#)

Lost in translation: translating research to inform policy and practice

29 November 2016

University of Sydney

This [symposium](#) will demonstrate the importance of generating and employing policy-and-practice related evidence and showcase how the Prevention Research Collaboration at the Charles Perkins Centre is endeavouring to close the gap between research and practice.

Keeping translation in mind: using technology to improve prevention and treatment of mental and substance use disorders

6 December 2016

Sydney

[CREMS Colloquium 2016](#) will focus on how technology is being used to help in the translation of research findings.

The confident board member

12 December 2016

Sydney

This half day NCOSS [workshop](#) is designed for the people who govern not-for-profit community organisations including, board or committee members, managers and senior employees. It covers the roles and responsibilities of board or management committee members and how to assess if your board is effectively managing your organisation.

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Positions Vacant

Family Support Worker—Odyssey House

Applications close 20 November 2016

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Staff on casual—Odyssey House

Applications close 24 November 2016

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