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Noticeboard

Merry Christmas and happy New Year from NADA

We thank you for your passion and dedication throughout the year. On behalf of the NADA Board and staff, we hope you enjoy the holiday season and look forward to connecting again in 2017. NADA will be closed from December 23 to January 2.

Request for proposal: Central and Eastern Sydney Primary Health Networks

CESPHN-745883 closes 5 pm Monday 9 January 2017

CESPHN is seeking request for proposal to deliver drug and alcohol treatment services including services specifically for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. [More information](#).

Tackling tobacco grants program 2017/2018

The Tackling Tobacco Grants Program provides financial support to organisations to address smoking, to create sustainable changes that support clients to quit and to de-normalise smoking in the community.

NADA encourages our members to apply for this funding opportunity. For more information visit the [Cancer Council of NSW website](#) or email [Christina Watts](#). Applications for 2017/2018 financial year will open from April 2017.

Workforce development survey—ends 31 December 2016

NCETA is collaborating with researchers at Queensland University of Technology 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 the survey 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.

Ending HIV transmission in NSW by 2020: improving HIV testing for AOD clients

HIV testing is now easier than ever. Only patient 'informed consent' is necessary to test for HIV; pre-test counselling is no longer required. Health professionals also have the support of the [NSW HIV Support Program](#) who offer individual assistance at that critical time of making a diagnosis. Click [here](#) for information and tools for decision-making about HIV testing.

Online graduate programs in addiction

Turning Point are offering a Graduate Certificate in AOD Drug Studies with an applied approach to AOD studies. Please note that 2017 will be the last year of admission for the course. [More information](#). They are also offering a Masters in Addictive Studies, delivered through Monash University, with a greater focus on academic career development or research. [More information](#).

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CMHDARN launches its new website

CMHDARN launched its new logo and website on 29 November. The website offers opportunities for the exchange of ideas, the sharing of resources, support and collaboration. It brings together community organisations, universities and research institutes. By promoting the value of research and the use of research evidence in practice, the overall aim is to improve the quality of service delivery, and correspondingly, the outcomes for those living with mental health and alcohol and other drugs difficulties (sometimes as co-existing conditions).

Become a member today

As a member you will receive information for our events (e.g. Kick Start 2017), seeding grants, mentoring program and other network activities. [Apply online.](#)



Did you know?

Did you know NADA has developed a 'work health and safety policy template' to help your organisation plan for, and manage, emergencies in the workplace.

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

NADA is constantly reviewing our Policy Toolkit. Please send your ideas/suggestions/revisions to victoria@nada.org.au.

EVENTS

Sex, Drugs and What's My Role?

A NADA forum that brings together AOD, sexual and reproductive health

When: 24 February 2017

Where: ACON—414 Elizabeth Street, Surry Hills NSW 2010

Presenters will be invited from STIPU, ACON, KRC and themes we hope to explore include:

- field experiences of bringing together AOD and sexual health in practice
- post-exposure prophylaxis (PEP) and pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP)
- Love Bites project to explore the youth focus
- reproductive health and substance use.

Who should attend

AOD workers who would like to learn more about the ways they can integrate messages around sexual and reproductive health into their work and sexual health workers who would like to network with like-minded workers from the AOD field.

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

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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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New Resources

CORK database

An archived edition of the [CORK database](#) is now online. CORK indexes resources about alcohol, other drugs, and behavioral addictions from the years 1970 to 2014 (with selected records prior to 1970). The database is bibliographic, including mostly abstracted journal articles, but also some books, book chapters, reports, and conference papers.

Breaking the ice in our community

Alcohol and Drug Foundation (ADF) has produced [a range of resources](#) to help you educate your communities about crystalline methamphetamine ('ice'). Several resources have been translated into Vietnamese and Arabic.

Ice: training for frontline workers

National Centre for Education and Training on Addiction (NCETA), Flinders University has developed a comprehensive, freely available online training resource. The [online training resource](#) is designed for workers in a range of roles and sectors including health, welfare, education, criminal justice and transport. It contains diverse content that suits a variety of needs.

Alcohol use and motivations for drinking among types of young adult illicit stimulant users

[Trends & issues in crime and criminal justice no. 515](#)

Canberra: Australian Institute of Criminology, December 2016

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Calendar

The confident board member

12 December 2016

Sydney

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roles and responsibilities of board or management committee members and how to assess if your board is effectively managing your organisation.

[VAADA conference 2017](#)

16-17 February 2107

Melbourne

Complexity, collaboration, consumers and care is the conference theme. [Click here](#) for more information

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Positions Vacant

[Case Manager—Detour House](#)

Applications close 9 December 2016

[Learn more.](#)

[AOD Worker required—Odyssey House McGrath Foundation](#)

Applications close 11 December 2016

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[General Practice Registered Nurse—Odyssey House McGrath Foundation](#)

Applications close 17 December 2016

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