

September 2017

Policy contributions and submissions

- NADA launched its [Reconciliation Action Plan](#) as part of NAIDOC week.
- NADA provided a brief submission to DPMP, and the AOD Peaks Network, outlining our view on the development of the National Treatment Framework.

Advocacy and representation

- NADA represented the sector on a number of meetings with the NSW Ministry of Health relating to the NSW Drug Package.
- NADA met with NSW Primary Health Networks AOD Network to discuss NGO contract management, data and reporting.
- NADA met with the Department of Health Drug Strategy Branch in Canberra to discuss NMDS and outcomes data collection.
- In partnership with NCOSS, NADA supported *the Investing in Communities: 2017 NCOSS Regional Conferences*. Consulting with the sector on key issues across regional NSW.
- NADA participated in a consultation with Turning Point outlining the sectors views on the development of the National Quality Framework.

Sector development activity

- A series of screeners have been introduced in NADABase that cover: suicide, domestic violence; and blood borne virus and sexual health.
- NADA commenced consulting on the establishment of four practice networks in the Hunter New England Central Coast regional, in partnership with HNECCPHN and the local LHDs.
- A range of training workshops were held on topics that included: responding to prescribed opioid dependence, worker self-care, Women's Choice and Change (DV), and Aboriginal cultural awareness training.
- Workforce Development Training Grants for July-December 2017 round opened.