

## March 2017

### Policy contributions and submissions

- NADA and the AOD Peaks Network provided submissions to the Parliamentary Joint Committee on Law Enforcement Inquiry into Crystal Methamphetamine
- A brief was provided to the NSW PHNs AOD Network on the data capacity of the NSW NGO AOD sector, including the collection and reporting on outcomes

### Advocacy and representation

- The AOD Peaks Network has had several discussions with Minister Hunt's office and Drug Strategy Branch regarding key funding issues for the sector, particularly NGOTGP/SMSDGF
- NADA met with the NSW PHN CEs Network to discuss funding implications for the NSW NGO AOD sector, as well as discussing the data capacity of the sector the NSW PHNs AOD Network
- NADA sat on a number of tender selection panels for the commissioning of AOD treatment, as well as participating in Primary Health Network AOD reference groups
- The AOD Peaks Network met to discuss key funding issues for the sector, particularly the NGOTGP/SMSDGF and PHN commissioning
- The Women's AOD Services Network and NADA participated in the Expert Reference Group for the Ministry of Health's Drug & Alcohol Package Women and Children Residential Rehabilitation
- NADA attended Labor's National Health Policy Summit at Parliament House in Canberra
- NADA presented on the Regional Methamphetamine Capacity Building Project and Responding to Blood Borne Viruses and Sexual Health at the VAADA Conference

### Sector development activity

- A forum looking at the intersection between sexual health and AOD treatment was held – Sex, Drugs and What's My Role?
- The NADAbase expansion project commenced, with 2 steering committee taking place to guide the development
- NADA facilitated the Working with Women engaged in AOD treatment training with a focus on integrating domestic violence responses in Dubbo.
- NADA hosted a focus group and filming day with NADA members and stakeholders discussing their challenges and lessons they can share about working with people who have a cognitive impairment.