

July 2016

NSW Drug Package Industry Briefing

On 20 July 2016, Minister Goward and the NSW Ministry of Health held an industry briefing at NSW Parliament House, in partnership with NADA.

The NSW Government has increased funding of \$75 million over four years to tackle alcohol and other drug misuse in NSW communities. The new investment focuses on supporting more young people, more people into treatment, and more families. Key components of the package include:

- \$24.5 million over four years to help more families
- \$26.5 million over four years to help more people into treatment
- \$24 million over four years to help more young people.

Supporting families

\$15 million to expand substance use in pregnancy services in LHDs

Where Limited catchment to 'highest need' areas (rural, regional, metro)

How Data, service mapping, consultation to identify sites; establish service specifications (with consultation)

When Allocations from August/September 2016; staged commencement November/December 2016

\$8 million to increase residential rehabilitation and ongoing care for women and parents with dependent children

Where State-wide NGO specialist women's services

How Capacity assessment to augment existing services; identify gaps and develop specifications for select tender (with consultation)

When Augment services August/September 2016; select tender October 2016

\$1.5 million to boost support for families and carers

Where State-wide availability

How Consultation with providers, families; develop resources; augment existing services

When Staged development of resources 2016/17

Helping more people into treatment

\$12 million for community treatment and aftercare

Where State-wide access to services

How Stakeholder consultation to inform development of tender specifications followed by open tender (partnership model)

When Service specifications October/November 2016; open tender ~January/February 2017

\$14.5 million to help people with severe substance dependence—Assertive community management

Where Limited catchment (4 LHDs: mix of rural, regional, metro)

How Analysis of those not accepted to IDAT, review of referrals, map existing multi-purpose centres, develop service specifications

When LHD allocations to commence 2016, services operational from early 2017

Increased access to the MERIT program

Helping young people

\$16 million over four years to expand access to youth specific services, including capacity building and workforce—Increase youth detox and treatment services

Reach State-wide (specific locations yet to be determined)

How Determine appropriate approaches; stakeholder workshop to inform outcome oriented tender specifications for a range of services

When Scoping 6–9 months (2016/17); open tender March 2017; services operational late 2017

Workforce capacity building

Reach State-wide

How Direct allocation based on needs assessment and existing service networks

When Planning September–February 2016/17

\$8 million for an Early Intervention Innovation Fund—Evaluation and innovation grants

Reach Available state-wide

How Competitive funding scheme

When EOI evaluation grants August 2016 and funding in 2016; EOI innovation grants September 2016; funding in July 2017

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