

September 2021

Policy and submissions

- NADA provided a submission to the PBS opiate dependence treatment program post market review
- NADA provided a submission on changes to the Certificate IV and Diploma of Community Services
- NADA and the University of Wollongong published an article in the Drug and Alcohol Review journal on NADAbase data: 'Polysubstance use classes and health outcomes among women attending specialist substance use treatment services'
- In partnership with ACON and USYD, NADA have had a commentary published in Drug and Alcohol Review: 'The sector is ready, and the community needs Australian alcohol and other drug treatment services to ask about sexuality and gender identity'

Advocacy and representation

- Key meetings: NSW Ministry of Health, NSW Department of Communities and Justice, Department of Health, National Indigenous Australians Agency, Australian Alcohol and other Drugs Council, Mental Health Coordinating Council, NSW Council of Social Services, NUAA, MHCC, AOD Peaks Network, Health Justice Australia, and NSW/ACT PHN AOD Network.
- Ongoing meeting representation: NSW Ministry of Health COVID-19 Clinical Council, NGO CoP and AOD CoP, Business and Funding Models Study Steering Committee.
- NADA CEO hosted a webinar with the NSW Ministry of Health and NCOSS as Co-chair of the NGO CoP, providing a Q&A with Dr Jan Fizzell.
- Ongoing roundtable meetings between NADA, NGO AOD services, MOH and DCJ child protection.
- NADA is representing NGO AOD services on the National Alcohol and other Drug Workforce Development Strategy Project Advisory Group.
- NADA has represented members on a number of meetings focused on the impending Real Time Prescription Monitoring, now named Safe Script NSW.
- NADA continues to participate in two working groups designed to provide input into the Clinical Care Standards implementation.

Information on NADA's policy and advocacy work, including Sector Watch and the meetings that NADA represents its members, is available on the NADA website [here](#).