



NADA MEMBER EMAIL UPDATE 2 JULY 2010

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NOTICE BOARD

► NADA Quality Improvement Support Grants now available

Applications close 16 July 2010

NADA members that receive funds from NSW Health for drug and alcohol service delivery are eligible to apply for QI support grants. [Download an application form](#) and details or contact [Mahlia](#) for more information.

► NADA 2010 Creating Synergy Drug and Alcohol Conference Attendance/Participation Reimbursement Grants 3 December 2010

NSW Health is supporting NADA members to attend the 2010 Creating Synergy Drug and Alcohol Conference. You can apply to NADA for a Conference Participation Reimbursement Grant once your abstract has been accepted, or if you would like to attend the conference, you can apply to NADA for a Conference Attendance Reimbursement Grant. Click [here](#) for more details or contact [Mahlia](#).

► Associations Incorporation Act (2009) to come into effect on 1 July 2010

Click [here](#) to go to the NADA website where you can download the new Act and regulations (there is also a link to the Fair Trading NSW website where there is a fact sheet with the main changes summarised).

► 2010 Winner of the Prime Minister's Award – Garth Pople

Congratulations to Garth Pople, Executive Director of We Help Ourselves (WHOS) who was awarded the Prime Minister's Award at the 2010 National Drug and Alcohol Awards. The award recognises an individual who has made a significant commitment and contribution to reducing the impact and negative effects of drug and alcohol use. More information can be found on the National Drug and Alcohol Awards [website](#).

► Youth Development and Support Program 2010-2011

Applications close 9 July at 5pm

The Youth Development and Support Program is a national program designed to provide financial support to non government, not for profit organisations to deliver practical and innovative opportunities for young people. The Program funds eligible organisations to support initiatives that inspire and encourage young people aged between 12 and 25 years to develop skills and connections within their communities. [Click here](#) for more information.

► Mental Health Month – Grants

Applications close 23 July at 5pm

The Mental Health Association NSW, with funding from NSW Health, offers a number of small grants to assist the staging of mental health promotion activities during Mental Health Month (MHM) 2010. A number of grants will be offered to projects specifically targeting culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) communities. The theme for MHM 2010 is, *Building Resilience – Good friends help us bounce back* [Click here to download the Starter Kit](#).

► OPTUS Connecting Community Grants Program

Applications close 30 July

Grants of up to \$5,000 for not-for-profit organisations are available in three priority areas - Building social inclusion by providing access to communications, Building social inclusion by connecting disengaged communities and Supporting disengaged youth by improving their education, life skills and knowledge. [Click here for more information](#).

► Accreditation/quality improvement support grants from OATSIH

Grant applications are now open for eligible organisations until the **15 September 2010**. Generally, eligible organisations are those that receive the majority of their recurrent funding for health service delivery, as their core

business, from the Office of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health (OATSIH). Eligibility and application details are available from the [OATSIH website](#).

► **Scholarships opportunity in Public Administration**

Applications Close 2 August 2010

The NSW Government is offering five scholarships in the Graduate Diploma in Public Administration as part of an initiative to support workforce development in the community sector. For more information, click [here](#).

► **New Values in the Australian Public Service: A Chance to Put Your Views Forward**

Open for contribution until 2 August 2010.

To contribute, download a discussion paper with some key questions, at www.apsc.gov.au/ourvalues.

► **The Puggy Hunter Memorial Scholarship Scheme**

Applications close 20 August 2010

Funded by Australian Government Department of Health and Ageing, the aim of the Scheme is to help address the under-representation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in health professions and assist in increasing the number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people with professional health qualifications. For more information, click [here](#).

► **Mental Health Matters Awards**

Nominations due 5pm Friday 20 August 2010

The Mental Health Matters Awards are designed to recognise the achievements of individuals and organisations who have worked to improve understanding, awareness, service provision and the general betterment of the mental health of our community, over the past 12 month period (1 August 2009 – 31 July 2010). For further information and the nomination form can be downloaded [here](#).

► **NCPIC short film and poster competition**

These NCPIC Competitions allow young people the opportunity to showcase their creative talent and express their thoughts and ideas about cannabis and its impact on young people. Visit www.ncpic.org.au for more information.

► **Summary of Fair Work Australia, Legislation changes and the Equal Pay Case**

NADA has prepared a summary on workplace legislation changes under Fair Work Australia affecting employers and employees on the Social and Community Services Awards. To view the document, click [here](#)

CALENDAR

NADA EVENTS

► **ISI Grant Recipient Forum**

Thursday 15 July 2010

Australia Technology Park

This forum will be facilitated by John Mendoza and the theme for the day will be sustainability. NADA encourages both ISI Project staff as well as a member of senior management (e.g. CEO, service manager) from each organisation to attend, if possible. Please RSVP to [Sarah](#).

► **NADA/MHCC Conference 2010, including NADA AGM - Save the Date**

Monday 6 and Tuesday 7 December 2010

Novotel Sydney Manly Pacific

More details to follow in the coming months.

OTHER EVENTS

► **SmokeCheck – FREE!**

SmokeCheck is a one day training workshop for all health workers working with Aboriginal clients in brief intervention. For more information and workshop dates in your area, [click here](#)

► **Legally coerced treatment for heroin addicted offenders: ethical and policy issues – FREE!**

14 July 2010

Metcalfe Auditorium, State Library of NSW, Sydney

Key speaker is Professor Wayne Hall – *National Health and Medical Research Council) Australia Fellow, University of Queensland Centre for Clinical Research*. For more information/to register, click [here](#) or contact bocsar_seminars@agd.nsw.gov.au

▶ **Australian Perspectives on 2010 Harm Reduction Conference, hosted by ANEX**

20 July 2010

ASHM Training Room Level 7, 46 – 56 Kippax Street, Surry Hills

Speakers include Nicky Bath (NUAA), Ange Matheson (ACON), Amanda Roxburgh, Assoc. Professor Carla Treloar and Tony Trimmingham. For more information and to register click [here](#) or call Jo Gillard 03 9486 6399.

▶ **Implementing and Sustaining a Quality Management System**

21 July 2010

Australian Council on Healthcare Standards (ACHS), Sydney.

[Click here](#) for more details.

▶ **Doing time: BBV health research, practice and possibilities for improved outcomes for people in the NSW prison population**

22 July 2010

NCHSR Consortium, Sydney

For more information and to register for the event click [here](#)

▶ **Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training (ASIST)**

29-30 July 2010

Wesley Mission, 220 Pitt St, Sydney

To register to attend this workshop or find out if there is a workshop in your local area, [click here](#).

▶ **Solution Focused Suicide Prevention**

5-6 August 2010

Sydney

[Click here](#) for more information.

▶ **Rural and Remote Mental Health Symposium**

29-30 September 2010

Brighton-le-Sands

Program streams include: building capacity through NGO and clinical partnerships, service accessibility, delivery and networks in rural mental health and Indigenous mental health issues, from policy to treatment delivery. [Click here](#) for details.

▶ **Motivational interviewing for Enhancing Intrinsic Motivation**

22 November 2010 Session 1: Introduction,

23 & 24 November 2010 Session 2: Workshop

The University of Sydney

[Click here](#) for more information.

▶ **PPL Education 2010 Events Calendar**

July – August 2010

Workshops include: Cognitive Behavioural Therapy (CBT), Motivational Interviewing and others. For a full list of available workshops, venues and dates, please [click here](#).

ADVOCACY AND POLICY

Details about NADA's policy activity are available from our [web site](#).

MEDIA

▶ **NADA Advocate**

The NADA ADVOCATE (Vol 3, Issue 2) is now available from the [NADA website](#). Look out for a new issue of the Advocate in early July.

NADA PROJECT UPDATE

► NSW Aboriginal Drug and Alcohol Traineeship Program in the NGO Sector.

NADA, in partnership with the State Coordinator of NSW Aboriginal Drug and Alcohol Traineeship Program, presented at the inaugural [National Indigenous Drug and Alcohol Conference \(NIDAC\)](#) in Adelaide, June 2010. Steve Ella and Heidi Becker presented on the establishment and current implementation of the NGO Aboriginal Drug and Alcohol Traineeship Program in the NSW NGO sector and the expansion of the program to NSW area health services. The information was well received and interest in running similar programs across other states has resulted. For further information about the NSW NGO Aboriginal Drug and Alcohol Traineeship Program [click here](#).

► NEW PROJECT TEAM Member at NADA

Welcome to [Mahlia Sepple](#) our new project support officer at NADA. Mahlia joined NADA in May this year and is a valuable addition to both NADA and the Workforce Development Project Team. Mahlia's portfolio includes the Workforce Development Training Grants Project, Creating Synergy Conference 2010 Participation and Support Grants and the Quality Improvement Support Grants Programs for members as well as NADA publications support. Look out for a brief staff profile on Mahlia on our website in coming weeks and be sure to introduce yourself at the next available opportunity.

RESOURCES

► New Drug and Alcohol website available soon

An exciting new drug and alcohol website is currently under development, however the Community Builders/Drug Action website at www.communitybuilders.nsw.gov.au/drugs_action is no longer live, in the interim period, drug and alcohol information can be found at the following sites: www.druginfo.sl.nsw.gov.au and www.health.nsw.gov.au/factsheets/drugandalcohol/index.asp. To obtain a list of drug and alcohol resources please send an email to drugaction@doh.health.nsw.gov.au

► NDSIS June Reports

A monthly listing of recently released Australian reports, research and other items of interest to the drug and alcohol sector are available online on the NDSIS website. To view reports from June 2010 you may have missed please click [here](#).

► New Multicultural Mental Health Australia Website

Multicultural Mental Health Australia (MMHA) has launched a more user-friendly website to help reduce stigma around mental illness in Australia's culturally and linguistically diverse communities. For more information, [Click here](#)

► Centre for Mental Health Research E-hub

E-hub is an initiative of the Centre for Mental Health Research at the Australian National University. It develops and evaluates websites that deliver psycho education and psychological interventions for common mental health problems, as well as clinical and consumer networking. [Click here](#) to visit the e-hub.

► Mental Health Medication Website

This website offers information about medications used in mental health settings to help people make informed decisions about medication. To visit the website click [here](#).

► The Australian Institution of Company Directors releases the Directors Social Impact Study

For the first time the contribution made by directors to the Australian community through the diverse roles they hold on the boards of a wide range of not-for-profit organisations has been quantified in a report by The Australian Institution of Company Directors. Click [here](#) to read the report.

► National Pregnancy, Birth and Baby Helpline

A National Pregnancy, Birth and Baby Helpline opened on 1 July 2010. Call the Helpline on 1800 88 24 36 for advice and information about pregnancy, birth and the first 12 months of a baby's life.

POSITIONS VACANT

► Community Service Worker (Full Time)

The Haymarket Foundation

6 July 2010

► **Aboriginal Health Promotion Officer – Community Development (Full Time)**

ACON

9 July 2010

For full details of these positions and others currently vacant, please click [here](#)

If you would like to advertise positions vacant please contact admin@nada.org.au

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Kind Regards,