



NADA Member Update 29 May 2009

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For membership related enquiries please contact Tanya Merinda, Director Sector Development at tanya@nada.org.au or phone 02 8113 1312.

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Notice board

► Research Project; cannabis, mental illness and young people

The Mental Health Association and the University of Western Sydney are undertaking research with young people (18-30) who identify as having a mental illness and who may or may not have used cannabis. The aim of the project is to collect data that may be useful in the development of a health promotion campaign aimed at young people living with mental illness.

If you work with, or know of young people living with mental illness who may be interested in taking part in these focus groups, please contact Katie Mears (research assistant) kmears@mentalhealth.asn.au or phone 9339 6018, or text your details to 0415 597 566.

► Drug Action Week

Final registrations are now being taken for **Drug Action Week 2009** which runs from June 21-27 focussing on the theme **Alcohol is a drug – TOO!**

Activity organisers are encouraged to register now, in order to take advantage of the free promotional packs. The website www.drugactionweek.org.au also has ideas for events, tips on organisation and community involvement, fact sheets and downloads which are all available free of charge.

► FebFast 09 Grants

Following the success of its nationwide 2009 fundraising campaign, FebFast has opened its grants program to support organisations working in research, prevention and service delivery concerning alcohol and other drugs use by young people. Organisations wishing to apply for funding through the 2009 grants program are now invited to submit their expression of interest by visiting <https://www.ourcommunity.com.au/febfastgrants/> and completing the online application form. Expressions of interest must be received by 5pm Friday the 19th June 2009. Further information is available at www.febfast.com.au

► NSW Auditor General's Report: Grants Administration

The NSW Auditor General has released a performance report on Grants Administration in NSW. The report is available from the AG's [website](#).

Calendar

► NSW Treasury and NCOSS Budget Seminar

Tues 2 June 2009

NSW Treasury and NCOSS will hold a seminar on how to read the NSW Budget papers. The seminar will be held from 9:30-11am at NCOSS. Space is limited RSVPs are essential. RSVP to Wendy Hall, NCOSS on 9211 2599 ext 118 or email wendy@ncoss.org.au.

► NADA Working with Families and Carers Workshops

4 June and 5 June 2009 Free to NADA members

The one day workshops, facilitated by the Bouverie Centre Family Institute, centre on working more effectively with families and will address challenges that services face in working with families. It will also provide an opportunity to network with other services and hear what they are doing in this area.

Venue: Australian Technology Park, Redfern [Click here](#) for more information, including the registration form or contact Robert at NADA on 02 8113 1320 or robert@nada.org.au.

► NCOSS Budget Briefing for the community sector

Wed 17 June 2009

NCOSS will hold a Budget briefing for the community sector on the day after the NSW Budget is delivered at the NSW Teachers Federation, Level 4, 23 Mary St Surry Hills. For information contact Wendy Hall, NCOSS on 9211 2599 ext 118 or email wendy@ncoss.org.au.

► Free NUAA workshop on Drug User organisations:

17 June 2009, 2-5pm

The NSW Users Association (NUAA) is holding a Free workshop on the role, roots and importance of Drug User Organisations. For more information or to book contact Sarah 8354 7300 or email sarahd@nuaa.org.au

Advocacy and Policy

The latest updates are available from our web site [here](#).

Media

► NADA Advocate

The latest edition (Vol 2, Issue 3, May 09) of the NADA Advocate is available now from the NADA [website](#)

Project Updates

► Project update

Visit the NADA [website](#) for details of the latest Project updates

Resources

► Royalty Free Photos

This gallery provides community groups with a growing library of photos that they can use in developing marketing materials. All photos are available free for non-commercial use under [a Creative Commons license](#). Visit <http://www.ourcommunity.com.au/marketing/photobank/>

► Film Exchange on Alcohol and Drugs (FEAD)

FEAD is an online resource that brings short video presentations from leading figures in the alcohol and drugs field direct to your screen. Go to www.fead.org.uk

► **New website for methamphetamine users**

Turning Point Alcohol and Drug Centre, with funding from the ATS Grants Program, has created a new website, www.meth.org.au, which has practical and useful self-help information for methamphetamine users.

Positions Vacant

► **NADA Project Officer(s)**

Applications close: 5 June 2009

Position 1 is full time for 2 years

Position 2 is 3 days/week for 12 months

See NADA [website](#) for more details

► **SSYS Youth Worker**

South Sydney youth services are looking for a Youth Worker (part time 9 days or 63 hrs f/night). For further information please contact Mardi Angelopoulos on 9318 0539 . Email applications by responding to essential and desirable criteria and the additional questions plus resume to claire@ssys.org

View all vacant positions in the sector on our website www.nada.org.au
