



**NADA**

network of alcohol and  
other drugs agencies

# Strategic plan

2019–2022

NADA proudly acknowledges Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people as the Traditional Custodians of the lands and waters throughout Australia. Our office stands on the land of the Gadigal people of the Eora Nation.

We recognise, respect and value the deep and continuing connection of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to land, water, community and culture.

We look to and celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people for their cultural guidance, leadership and expertise.

We pay our respects to Elders past, present and future.

# About NADA

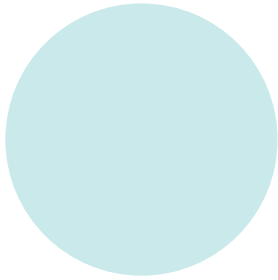
The Network of Alcohol and other Drugs Agencies (NADA) is the peak organisation for non government alcohol and other drugs services in NSW. As a member driven peak body, NADA's decisions and actions are informed by the experiences, knowledge and concerns of its membership.

We represent close to 100 organisational members that provide a broad range of alcohol and other drugs services including health promotion and harm reduction, early intervention, treatment and continuing care programs. Our members are diverse in their structure, philosophy and approach to alcohol and other drugs service delivery.

We provide a range of programs and services that focus on sector and workforce development, data management, governance and management support, research and evaluation, sector representation and advocacy, as well as actively contributing to public health policy.

NADA strives to reduce the stigma and discrimination experienced by people who use alcohol and other drugs. We also work to ensure that services provided by the sector are informed by people with a lived experience.

NADA has award level accreditation under the Australian Services Excellence Standards (ASES), a quality framework certified by Quality Innovation and Performance (QIP).



# Vision

Connected and sustainable non government alcohol and other drug services providing quality evidence based programs to reduce alcohol and drug related harms to NSW communities



# Purpose

To advocate for,  
strengthen and support  
non government alcohol  
and other drugs services



## Collaboration

Collaboration is central  
to NADA's operation

## **Inclusion**

NADA values diversity and ensures our approach is equitable and accessible

## **Integrity**

NADA operates with fairness and transparency to maintain an independent voice

## **Respect**

NADA is respectful of the culture, views and experiences of the sector

# **Values**

# Strategic priorities

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**Advocate for sustainable  
funding and program  
governance**

**Strategy** Develop and promote an advocacy agenda informed by consultation, evidence and practice based research, as well as current political and public health policy and planning.

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## **Promote the strengths of its members**

**Strategy** Position the sector as providers of quality, innovative and evidence based treatment and harm reduction services.



# Strategic priorities

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## **Build capacity**

**Strategy** Build the capacity of the sector with an approach that is planned, responsive and informed by evidence and practice wisdom.

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## Develop the workforce

**Strategy** Support the workforce to enhance clinical and therapeutic skills, measure client outcomes, and promote a culture of workforce wellbeing.

# Who we work with and for

**NADA works first and foremost with its members—non government alcohol and other drugs service providers in NSW.**

## **Acknowledging the specific input of the:**

- NADA Practice Leadership Group
- Women's AOD Services Network
- Youth AOD Services Network
- Community Mental Health Drug and Alcohol Research Network (CMHDARN)—in partnership with the MHCC
- NSW Aboriginal Residential Rehabilitation Healing Drug and Alcohol Network (NARHDAN).

### **Our key partners and stakeholders include:**

- people with lived experience of alcohol and other drugs services
- alcohol and other drugs sector funding bodies, including NSW Ministry of Health, Family and Community Services, Corrective Services, Australian Government Department of Health, Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and the Department of Social Services
- Local health districts, pillars and speciality networks, including Justice Health, NSW Agency for Clinical Innovation, Health Education and Training Institute and the Bureau of Health Information
- Primary Health Networks
- Mental Health Commission of NSW
- non government peak and advisory bodies in NSW and nationally including other state and territory drug and alcohol peaks, Aboriginal Health and Medical Research Council of NSW (AHMRC), Mental Health Coordinating Council (MHCC), the Council of Social Services NSW (NCOSS), Hepatitis NSW, Just Reinvest NSW and the NSW Users and AIDS Association (NUAA)
- NADA members working with specific populations or providing broader sector services including ACON, Community Restorative Centre, Drug and Alcohol Multicultural Education Centre, Family Drug Support and Noffs Foundation
- non government and government organisations working across the human services spectrum, with a focus on mental health, criminal justice, housing, Aboriginal services, family, children and carers
- quality improvement service providers such as the Australian Council on Health Care Standards (ACHS) and Quality Innovation Performance (QIP)
- research bodies including the National Drug and Alcohol Research Centre (NDARC), the National Centre for Education and Training on Addiction (NCETA), the National Drug Research Institute (NDRI), the National Centre for Clinical Research on Emerging Drugs (NCCRED) and other researchers working in this area
- workforce and industry education, training and advisory bodies
- the media.

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