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Policy and submissions

- NADA and the AOD Peaks Network wrote to the Federal Minister for Health and Minister for Finance regarding the need for continuation of the significant proportion of the funding provided to the non government treatment sector that has been provided through the National Ice Action Strategy (NIAS).
- NADA provided a submission to the new National AOD Workforce Development Strategy. NCETA also held a special consultation with NADA staff on the development of the strategy.
- NADA signed on to a joint letter led by FARE calling on the Australian Government to abandon any plans to cut the price of alcohol because of the risk to the health, wellbeing and safety of Australians.
- NCETA held a special AOD Peaks Network focus group consultation on the ADF Family Outcomes Framework.
- NADA's annual report was sent to members, stakeholders and NSW Health Minister and NSW Shadow Health Minister, along with the 2021 NADA Member Needs Assessment.

Advocacy and representation

- NADA CEO and President met with the NSW Shadow Health Minister, Ryan Park to discuss the needs of the NSW non government AOD sector.
- NADA met with the Department of Health and the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare to discuss the inclusion of gender and sexuality diversity in the NMDS, as well as non government representation on AOD data governance structures.
- Key meetings: Department of Health, NSW Ministry of Health, NSW Department of Communities and Justice (DCJ), Australian Alcohol and other Drugs Council, AOD Peaks Network, NUAA, AIVL, NCOSS, MHCC, Youth Action, and the NSW/ACT PHN AOD Network.
- NADA continues to represent non government AOD services on the National Alcohol and other Drug Workforce Development Strategy Project Advisory Group.
- NADA participated in the Fair Treatment Partner Strategy Sharing session.
- Ongoing meeting representation: NSW Ministry of Health COVID-19 Clinical Council, NGO CoP and AOD CoP.

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](#).