



STEERING COMMITTEE - ROADMAP FOR COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT INCLUDING EMERGENCY RESPONSE

COMMUNIQUE – MEETING 27 JULY 2021

The third meeting of the Roadmap for Community Mental Health Treatment, including Emergency Response Steering Committee (Steering Committee) was held on 27 July 2021. The Steering Committee is co-chaired by Ms Amanda Waegeli, Lived Experience Representative and Dr Sophie Davison, Chief Medical Officer Mental Health, Mental Health Commission (MHC). This communique has been developed to provide stakeholders with a summary of key points of discussion and outcomes of this meeting.

The purpose of the Steering Committee is to provide strategic oversight and guidance to the development of the Roadmap to ensure it is fully costed, future proofed, and implementable. The Steering Committee includes clinical, lived experience, Aboriginal, and Community Mental Health, Alcohol and Other Drug Council (CMC) representation. The Steering Committee works alongside an internal MHC Project Team and appointed consultancy to develop a clear vision for community mental health treatment and mental health emergency response services that will best meet the needs of people in Western Australia of all ages who require specialist community mental health care and/or emergency mental health care. The Mental Health Executive Committee (MHEC), the CMC, and the Mental Health Leads Sub-Committee (MHLS) are fundamental components of the governance structure for the Roadmap Project.

Project Update

KPMG provided an update on the project to the Steering Committee, outlining the status of the three components of stage 1:

- 1.A - desktop and literature review
- 1.B - white paper and stakeholder consultation
- 1.C - demand modelling

Desktop and Literature Review

An update on the progress of the desktop and literature review was provided to the Steering Committee. The draft desktop and literature review is expected to be finalised and distributed to the Steering Committee for feedback on 30 July 2021. The Steering Committee will discuss the literature and desktop review findings and work to establish the 'vision' and design principles that will guide the models of service, during a workshop in August.

Stakeholder Consultation

Targeted interviews with approximately 30 peak bodies, service providers, and HSPs are anticipated to commence in August with the intent to obtain current state insights not available through the desktop review. This will inform the models of service development stage of the project. The Steering Committee reviewed the list of stakeholders for targeted interviews. The list is not exhaustive and will be refined.

Expert Working Groups (EWG) will be convened to provide expert input and advice to inform deliverable development. It was discussed at the third Steering Committee meeting that expression of interest for lived

experience, clinical, and non-government organisation EWG members would go live on Friday 30 July. Applicants from this will be selected by the Steering Committee to participate in either Metropolitan, Rural, Regional and Remote, or Emergency Services Community Treatment EWGs. It is anticipated that EWGs will be established and commence in August, with the groups meeting up to four times by mid-September. The EWGs will meet again up to three times in October and November to review the proposed model of service.

Engagement will extend beyond targeted interviews and EWGs, with approximately 20 regional and metropolitan forums expected to occur. Here, individuals with lived experience and service providers will be engaged. 'Stakeholder Connect' – a new platform launched by the Mental Health Commission will be used to assist in recruitment for consultations going forward. Individuals and organisations are encouraged to register their interest with Stakeholder Connect ([here](#)), to be advised when opportunities for engagement with the Mental Health Commission arise.

Alongside the Steering Committee and EWGs, the MHEC, the CMC and the MHLS continue to be engaged throughout the process, to enable strategic oversight.

The next Steering Committee meeting is scheduled for 17 August 2021.

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