



## **COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH, ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUG COUNCIL COMMUNIQUE - MEETING 14, 22 November 2023**

The 14th meeting of the Community Mental Health, Alcohol and Other Drug Council (CMC) was held on 22 November 2023. This Communique provides all stakeholders with information and outcomes from the meeting.

The key priority projects of the CMC and Mental Health Executive Committee (MHEC) continue to be the Community Treatment and Emergency Responses Project, Implementation of the Ministerial Taskforce into Public Mental Health Services for Infants, Children and Adolescents (ICA) Taskforce Recommendations and Mental Health and Alcohol and Other Drug (AOD) Workforce Planning to build a skilled and sustainable workforce through a suitable workforce plan and appropriate strategies. CMC are also across the progress of Graylands Reconfiguration and Forensic Taskforce (GRAFT), which is a MHEC priority initiative.

### **Independent Governance Review (IGR) of the WA Health System**

Members noted that work is progressing on the implementation of the new governance arrangements and strong stakeholder engagement will be undertaken in relation to the implementation of the IGR recommendations, including the development of the Western Australian Mental Health, Alcohol and Other Drug Strategy 2025-2030.

### **Community Mental Health Treatment Services (CTER)**

Members were updated on the progress of CTER, including how current services could be reconfigured to support the development of a responsive, accessible and person-centred service that meets the needs of the Western Australian community. Members noted that the final report which brings together all of the consultations, environmental scanning, modelling and data analysis is being completed, and will be submitted to the Minister by the end of year.

### **Infant Child and Adolescent Taskforce - Implementation Update**

Members noted the progression of a suite of submissions for consideration in the 2024-2025 budget process, with support from the Health Services Providers.

### **NDIS Review and Disability Royal Commission Briefing**

Members noted presentation on the final report of the Disability Royal Commission and the requirement to provide a jurisdictional response by 31 March 2024. Members raised the importance of ensuring priority populations are referenced within homelessness services and ensuring Aboriginal service providers are involved in stakeholder consultations.

### **Survey Methodology Snapshot**

Members noted the survey methodologies for Your Experience of Service Survey (YES), Carers Experiences of Service Survey and YES Community Managed Organisations (YES CMO). Members raised the importance of ensuring that surveys are co-designed with people of lived experience to ensure continuous service improvements.

### **Thank You to Members**

As this was the final meeting of the CMC, the Chair thanked and acknowledged the members' dedication and leadership in strengthening consumer focused care and ensuring that lived experience remained central to mental health and alcohol and other drugs policy development and service delivery.

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