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# QNADA *focus*

DELIVERING PROFESSIONAL, QUALITY, AND RELEVANT SERVICES THAT WILL ASSIST  
IN THE DEVELOPMENT AND GROWTH OF THE NON-GOVERNMENT ALCOHOL & OTHER  
DRUG SECTOR THROUGHOUT QUEENSLAND.

## *From the iPEN of the Executive Officer*

Welcome to QNADA's third monthly newsletter. The last month has proved to be eventful! On the plus side, I've enjoyed some out and about time, getting to know some of our member services and networking with colleagues from the other community sector peaks. It has been a great opportunity for me to get a feel for some of the issues affecting our sector, as well as to gain an understanding of what our members want from QNADA. For those of you I haven't caught up with yet, expect to hear from me soon!

This month has also been a month about dollars, with both the DoHA funding round announcements and the Federal Budget being handed down. I appreciate it's an uncertain time for many of our members and if there's anything we can do to support you, please don't hesitate to give us a call. We're especially keen to hear how our members fared in the funding round announcements and will share information we receive as it comes to hand. We may have the opportunity to present our concerns and suggestions for improvement on the funding process to Minister Butler directly, so any thoughts you would like us to throw into the mix would be gratefully received.

Finally, I'd like to extend an invitation to the annual QNADA breakfast on 6 June 2012, coinciding with the Australian Winter School on the Gold Coast – whether you're a member or not, if you're coming to Winter School, we'd love to have you join us. If you can't make it to breakfast, stop by our stall and say hi. I look forward to seeing you all there!

*Rebecca*

## *Date Claimers*

**26 May 2012**

[National Sorry Day](#)

Australians are invited to walk across their local bridge carrying the symbolic 'stolen generations feet'.

**31 May 2012**

[World No Tobacco Day](#)

**5-6 June 2012**

2012 Australian Winter School Conference -

[Looking Back | Looking Forward](#)

**6 June 2012**

[QNADA Annual Breakfast 2012](#)

**17-23 June 2012**

[Drug Action Week 2012](#)

**8-10 June 2012** [Ipswich Sober Fest 2012](#) —by Alcoholics Anonymous.

## THE QNADA TEAM

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## MEMBERSHIP WITH QNADA

The benefits of being a QNADA member are evolving as we grow. In the coming year we will be adding a number of new services, like offering support and advice to members in engaging with quality accreditation processes and exploring opportunities to support members with workforce development and networking.

To find out more about [joining QNADA](#), click on this link or contact our offices on (07) 3010 6500.

On 2 May 2012 the Federal Department of Health and Ageing (DoHA) announced those services shortlisted for funding under the Non-Government Organisation Treatment Grants Program (NGOTGP) and Substance Misuse Service Delivery Grants Fund (SMSDGF). There has also been a recent extension of the services originally shortlisted, however no additional Queensland services were added.

QNADA strongly encourages services to seek feedback as to why your service was unsuccessful with funding applications. Please note that registrations for feedback must be received by **Wednesday 30 May 2012** by email to the relevant fund. Further information on registering for feedback is available at [NGOTGP website](#) or [SMSDGF website](#). Please note that if you applied for funding under both the NGOTGP and the SMSDGF, you will need to register for feedback for each fund separately.

The QNADA Board has indicated an intention to highlight the broader issue of funding shrinkage across the sector, in the first instance with the Queensland Government. Peak organisations across Australia are also discussing potential courses of action regarding the Commonwealth's handling of this funding round. We're meeting with the DoHA state office shortly and we'll continue to keep you informed as we hear more.

### MEMBER ALERT - CHANGES TO QH SERVICE AGREEMENT CLAUSES

Members are strongly encouraged to log on to the QNADA website and provide feedback and comments on potential changes to the Service Agreements effective from 1 July 2012.

### Contribute to the Workforce Survey!

The deadline for participating in the [AOD Treatment Workforce Survey 2012](#) has been extended until the **1 June 2012**.

The 10-15 minute multiple choice questionnaire will provide QH with information about workers in the sector and assist in developing strategies for responding to issues in the AOD workforce. QNADA strongly encourages organisations to participate in the survey. Findings will be posted on the [QH AOD Website](#).

### World No Tobacco Day

This year's campaign is focused on combatting the tobacco industry's attacks on the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control.

Know someone who is trying to quit? Direct them to the national [pledge to quit](#) on Facebook.



### Did You Know?

- Tobacco kills over 6 million people each year. This includes 600 000 who die from exposure to second-hand smoke
- A tax increase that increases tobacco prices by 10% decreases tobacco consumption by about 4% in high-income countries
- Tobacco tax revenues are on average 154 times higher than spending on tobacco control (source: World Health Organisation).

### FEDERAL BUDGET

QNADA is pleased to provide the attached summary of the [Federal 2012-13 Budget](#). Funding for the sustainability of the AOD sector is a critical issue at present. QNADA's analysis also provides some commitments/activities highlighted throughout the budget papers that are relevant to the AOD sector. In some instances it has been difficult to ascertain the quantum of funding assigned to these activities. Please feel free to contact Rebecca at any stage to discuss further.

### STAY TUNED CADDs Database - more than just data

Shortly we'll be asking our members to participate in a survey to inform the future development of CADDs.

Your participation is vital so we can maintain the continuous improvement of the system. QNADA will provide members with proposals for system improvements as a result of this survey and continue the discussion on how CADDs can be of benefit to your service.



Check out our booth today  
&  
Join us for breakfast tomorrow



Become a  
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## Australian Winter School

5-6 June

2012

### Australian Winter School 2012

LOOKING FORWARD | LOOKING BACK

(5-6 June 2012)

Head south for the winter to the Gold Coast to attend the [2012 Australian Winter School Conference](#), **Looking Back|Looking Forward**. The Alcohol and Drug Foundation Queensland always puts together an informative two days, with this year's program addressing topics such as workforce development, emerging trends in the illicit drug market and engagement strategies for youth and through new technologies.

### *Did you know?*

**Annual Research conducted by the Centre for Alcohol Policy Research and published in April 2012 found that:**

- 76% of people believe that Australia has a problem with excess drinking or alcohol abuse.
- 36% of drinkers or about 4.1 million Australians consume alcohol to get drunk.
- Only 3% of Australian drinkers are able to estimate the number of standard drinks within 10% in a four litre cask of white wine and 12% in a bottle of red wine.
- 66% of drinkers underestimate the number of standard drinks in an average bottle of red wine.
- 61% of Australian adults are aware of the Guidelines, but relatively few (14%) are aware of the content.

### *Changes to Local Health and Hospital Networks*

Under new Health and Hospitals Network legislation, introduced on 17 May 2012, by the Honourable Lawrence Springborg MP, Minister for Health, LHHNs will now be known as Hospital and Health Services.

Local hospital boards powers have been extended so that they will be responsible for their own financial management, be able to set their own priorities for patient care and be vested with the ownership of land and buildings. However, the boards will be required to seek ministerial approval if they intend to end an existing hospital service.

Under the changes each board will have to have a doctor or nurse as a member and each chief executive will be subject to the direction of the minister. The [Chairs of each Hospital and Health Service boards](#) were also announced on 18 May 2012.

In more populated areas, Minister Springborg also plans to establish a series of ancillary boards. The boards will begin operating from 1 July 2012. QNADA will continue to keep you informed of the impact of the changes.

### Up for a little light reading?

Stay up to date with latest developments by registering for the [Of Substance](#) e-bulletin...

There's also the Of Substance magazine which has recently included articles on—

- Smoking cessation
- Therapeutic communities
- Emerging drugs
- Mardi Gras medical
- Licensed premises
- Drugs, emergency care & the frequent presenter
- Data collection.



### WE'D LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU

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*WE'VE REVAMPED! Have you checked out the new [QNADA website](#)?  
We'd appreciate your feedback*

## FEDERAL BUDGET 2012-13 – ALCOHOL & OTHER DRUGS

Full papers are available at [the Federal Budget Papers 2012-13](#)

PROGRAM	FUNDING 2012-13	OUTCOMES/ TARGETS/MILESTONES
<b>NATIONAL DRUG STRATEGY</b>		
An increase from \$243M in 2011-12 to \$247M in 2012-13 NB. This funding is distributed across several programs outlined below		
Fund and support drug and alcohol treatment services to strengthen the capacity of service providers across Australia	\$559.4 million over four years Existing activities already committed to under the fund account for approximately \$392.4M over the period 2011-12 to 2014-15.	Increased capacity of AOD sector particularly in relation to Dual Diagnosis.  Increased support for ATSI AOD services.
Development of rigorous evidence base	Unspecified funding Substance Misuse Prevention and Service Improvement Grants Fund (SMPSIGF)	Strengthen the evidence base and supporting evidence based decision making.
Non-government Organisation Treatment Grants Program (NGOTGP) - front-line service delivery.	\$125M over 3 years	Strengthen the capacity of NGOs to achieve improved alcohol and drug treatment service outcomes.  Increase access to a greater range of high quality alcohol and drug treatment services. Reduce drug related harm for individuals, families and communities.
<b>TOBACCO INITIATIVES</b>		
National Tobacco Strategy (partnership with States and Territories)	Unspecified Funding Funded within the \$247M allocated for the National Drug Strategy	Finalised by 30 June 2013. Reduction in the rate of Australians who smoke regularly to under 10% by 2018 and halving smoking rates among Indigenous Australians.
Implementation of the <i>Tobacco Plain Packaging Act 2011</i> –public awareness activities	Unspecified Funding Funded within the \$247M allocated for the National Drug Strategy	Developed by mid-2012, evaluated by late 2012.  Plain packaging aims to: reduce the appeal of tobacco products to consumers, particularly young people; reduce the ability of tobacco products to mislead consumers about the harms of smoking; and increase the visibility and effectiveness of mandated health warnings.
Graphic Health Warning Measures	Unspecified funding Funded within the \$247M allocated for the National Drug Strategy	< 13.7% of population aged 18 years and over who are daily smokers by 2015-16
National Tobacco Campaign (social marketing)	\$102M over 4 years across all preventative health areas Funded within the \$133.2M provided over 4 years to the National Preventative Health Agency	Within agreed timeframes to be determined.

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<b>ALCOHOL INITIATIVES</b>		
Services and education initiatives aimed at promoting safe alcohol consumption with targeted messages for at risk groups – young people and ATSI	Unspecified funding Funded within the \$247M allocated for the National Drug Strategy	State and Territory reporting of reduced rates of underage drinkers re-offending
National Partnership Agreement - Early Intervention Pilot Program	Unspecified funding Funded through Treasury under the Federal Financial Relations Framework – Budget Paper 3, Program 1.10	
Implementation of the Food Labelling Logic Review recommendation for voluntary industry-based initiatives to promote warnings on alcohol labels, particularly harm related to drinking during pregnancy (Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders)	Unspecified funding Funded within the \$247M allocated for the National Drug Strategy	Targets/measurements not defined.
National Binge Drinking Strategy - community-focused activities that address harmful consumption of alcohol by young people, including the Australian Drug Foundation's Good Sports Program	\$50M \$53.8M was provided in 2008.	Manage projects funded under third round of community level initiatives and roll-out community sponsorship fund.
In 2012-13, ANPHA will provide advice on the minimum price on alcohol	N/A	Targets/measurements not defined.
<b>ILLICIT DRUG INITIATIVES</b>		
National Drugs Campaign – up-to-date information to young people on the risks and harms of illicit drug use	Unspecified funding Funded through the SMPSIGF and SMDGF Fund and facilitated via the National Cannabis Prevention and Information Centre.	< 13.4% of population 14 years of age and older who have recently (12 months) used an illicit substance
<b>VOLATILE SUBSTANCE MISUSE INITIATIVES</b>		
Petrol Sniffing Strategy	Unspecified funding Funded by Dept of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs; Education, Employment and Workplace Relations; Attorney-General.	Targets/measurements not defined.
Continuing Roll-out of low aromatic (Opal) fuel	\$84.8M over four years announced in 2010-11 budget. Within the SMDGF.	Targets/measurements not defined.
<b>HEALTH PROTECTION MEASURES</b>		
Communicable Disease Prevention and Service Improvement Grants Fund	\$13.7M	Have completed or commenced 90% of all the priority actions contained in the National BBV and STI Strategies 2010-2013 as measured by the mid-term review.  HIV Newly diagnosed cases < 875 by 2015-16 Hepatitis C newly diagnosed cases < 12 250 by 2015-16.



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<b>PREVENTATIVE HEALTH MEASURES</b>		
National Preventive Health Research Strategy/Fund – includes obesity, tobacco and alcohol	\$13.1M over 4 years Announced in 2010-11 budget	Strengthen the preventive health and health promotion evidence base and supporting evidence based decision making
Conduct a grants round under the Chronic Disease Prevention and Service Improvement Fund	Unspecified funding	Negotiation of new funding agreements to be completed by June 2013, to enable funding to commence from 2013-14.
Addressing the National Preventative Health Taskforce Report	\$872M over six years (commencing in 2009-10) Included in funding under the COAG Prevention NP.	The Government has responded to the Report with various timeframes and outcomes reflected.
Australian Health Survey undertaken by the Australian Bureau of Statistics.	\$48M commencing in 2011-12 National Heart Foundation contributing a further \$4M for this survey round.	High level results for the survey in the general population will be available in October 2012, with more detailed results available from May 2013.  The survey in ATSI population will be conducted throughout 2012-13.
Australian Longitudinal Study on Male Health	Unspecified funding	A dress rehearsal of the ALSMH survey instruments will occur in late 2012. Wave 1 data collection will commence in early 2013 and be completed by June 2013.
Australian Longitudinal Study on Women's Health	Unspecified funding	Recruitment of the new young women's cohort (born 1989-94) will commence in October 2012.
National Partnership Agreement on Preventative Health	\$38.9M	Expires 30 June 2015.
<b>MENTAL HEALTH</b>		
Early Psychosis Prevention and Intervention Centre (EPPIC) model initiative	\$222M over 5 years Announced in 2011-12 budget	16 new early psychosis services, based on the EPPIC model in partnership with state and territory governments.
National Partnership Agreement on Supporting National Mental Health Reform	\$201M over 5 years Announced in 2011-12 budget	Reduced pressure on emergency departments Greater accommodation support/reduction in homelessness.
<i>headspace</i>	\$197.3M over five years Announced in 2011-12 budget	A total of 90 headspace centres will be funded by 2014-15, with 15 of these sites to be announced in 2012-13.