Get involved – Join a working party

Mental Health Network

Make a difference to improve care for those receiving mental health treatment in NSW

The ACI Mental Health Network is establishing two working parties and is now seeking interest from members from around NSW to get involved and make a difference in how mental health services are provided in NSW.

This is a unique opportunity for people to collaborate across the mental health sector and be part of a redesign process to improve healthcare in NSW.

Meetings will be held in the ACI offices in Chatswood and can be attended in person, by videoconference, teleconference and WebEx.

Working in a collaborative model, consumers including patients, families and carers are encouraged to join alongside clinicians and health managers in the working groups.

Working Parties

Two working parties will be established in early August to complete the following to projects:

**Trauma Informed Care**
A Working Group to progress a project around Trauma Informed Care and Practice.

**Innovation Forum**
A Working Group to organise an Innovation Forum that showcases current innovations in clinical practice in Mental Health services in NSW.

Network Priorities

The Executive Committee has identified three priority areas for the Network in guiding its current and future work.

- **Co-design, Consumer Reported Measures & Recovery**
- **Being leaders in innovation – share and spread innovation:**
- **A connected system - working together to break down silos**
The Network

The ACI Mental Health Network was established in January 2015 in recognition of the need for a coordinated and integrated approach to the provision of high quality mental health services in NSW.

The Mental Health Network works collaboratively with clinicians, consumers and managers from across all healthcare settings in the development and implementation of evidence-based innovative programs, frameworks and models of care.

Our work promotes collaboration, innovation and quality improvement through a consumer-centric engagement model, bringing people together in the process of promoting better health service delivery across all continuums of an integrated care system.

Executive Committee

The Mental Health Network is led by a 24-person Executive Committee drawn from all parts of the public and non-government mental health sector, including clinicians, managers, consumers, carers and researchers.

The Executive membership includes individuals based in the inner-city, outer metropolitan Sydney and rural and regional NSW.

Please see the Mental Health Network webpage for a full list of Executive Committee members.

Priority planning

The Network Executive Committee has undertaken an extensive planning process to reach agreement on the above priority areas of activity for the Network in the coming twelve months.

The process has included:

- consideration of current research and evidence
- identification of gaps and opportunities in the current response to mental health issues
- consideration of the aims and objectives of the ACI
- consultation with Network members through a Network survey, some site visits and two Network events.

Expressions of Interest

Expressions of Interest should be forwarded in writing to the Mental Health Network Manager.

Please tell us:

- which Working Party you wish to join
- your current position
- your relevant skills and experience

Time commitments will vary across the two Working Parties and we encourage you to contact the Network Manager to discuss in more detail.

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