

**The Canberra Collaboration:** Aims to develop a coherent mechanism for expanding and strengthening alcohol, tobacco and other drug (ATOD) research and improving ATOD policy and its implementation in the ACT and region. This is the Canberra Collaboration's third event bringing together the research, policy and practice domains of our field.



## Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drug Research Symposium

### Event Information and Program

This symposium aims to gather ACT based cross-institutional researchers, services, workers, policy makers and consumers to showcase recent ACT ATOD research activities.

The research presented is aligned with key ATOD sector and ACT Government policy priorities including:

- Reforms to the care and protection system including the new Out of Home Care Strategy
- Updating the ACT Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Tobacco Control Strategy
- The revision of the model of care for the Ngunnawal Bush Healing Farm

The symposium will also include a panel and workshop focused on better understanding the use of, and our responses to, crystalline methamphetamines in the ACT. The symposium will end with a networking lunch to exchange ideas and support future collaborations.

<b>Date</b>	Thursday 27 November 2014
<b>Time</b>	9am – 9:25am: ATODA's Annual General Meeting (Members only) <b>9:30am – 12:45pm: Canberra Collaboration ATOD Research Symposium</b> 12:45pm – 1:30pm: Networking lunch
<b>Venue</b>	ANU Commons Function Centre, Rimmer St, Australian National University
<b>Audience</b>	ATOD researchers, students, policy makers, practitioners, consumers and families
<b>RSVP</b>	Essential to Carrie Fowle on <a href="mailto:carrie@atoda.org.au">carrie@atoda.org.au</a> or (02) 6255 4070
<b>Cost</b>	Free: ATODA members / consumers & families / students Others: \$30 ( <i>Note: individual membership of ATODA is now \$22 and can be sought in advance via contacting the ATODA office or with a staff member on the day</i> )

8:45am	Arrival and Registration: ATODA AGM	
9am – 9:25am	ATODA's Annual General Meeting (Members only)	
9:15am	Arrival and Registration: Canberra Collaboration: ATOD Research Symposium	
9:30am	Welcome and introduction	<b>Ms Carrie Fowlie</b> , Alcohol Tobacco and Other Drug Association ACT (ATODA)
9:35am	Welcome to Country	<b>Aunty Agnes Shea OAM</b> , Ngunnawal Elder
9:40 – 9:45am	Opening remarks	<b>Helene Delany, Manager</b> , AOD Policy Unit, ACT Health
9:45am – 10:05am	Improving outcomes for pregnant substance-using women and their children*	<b>Dr Stephanie Taplin</b> , Institute of Child Protection Studies, Australian Catholic University
10:05am – 10:25am	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, smoking and social networking *	<b>Mr Raglan Maddox</b> , Centre for Research and Action in Public Health, University of Canberra
Morning tea 10:30am – 10:50am		
10:50am – 11:10am	Tailored evidence-based programs used to reduce drug- and alcohol-related harms among Aboriginal Australians *	<b>Dr Bianca Calabria</b> , National Drug and Alcohol Research Centre, University of New South Wales
11:15am – 12:45pm	<b>The 'ice epidemic': Better understanding crystalline methamphetamine use and treatment responses in the ACT</b>	
How do communicable disease epidemiologists think about epidemics? (5 minutes)		<b>Dr Andrew Pengilley</b> , Acting Chief Health Officer, ACT Health
What does AOD science tell us about the trajectories of drug epidemics? (5 minutes)		<b>Mr David McDonald</b> , National Centre for Epidemiology and Population Health, The Australian National University
What's the "ice" story in Australia? (5 minutes)		<b>Dr Rebecca McKetin</b> , Centre for Research on Ageing, Health and Wellbeing, The Australian National University
What's the "ice" story in Canberra? (5 minutes)		<b>Mr Sione Crawford</b> , Canberra Alliance for Harm Minimisation and Advocacy
'Epidemic' panel and audience discussion (20 minutes)		
Who is this population and how do we reach them? Does what we are already doing in treatment work? Can we do better and do we have the capacity to do it? (15 minutes)		<b>Dr Rebecca McKetin</b> , Centre for Research on Ageing, Health and Wellbeing, The Australian National University
Treatment response questions and discussion (30 minutes)		
Closing, acknowledgements, evaluation, next steps followed by a networking lunch 12:45pm – 1:30pm		

\*15 minute presentations followed by 5 minutes for questions