

The Prime Minister's message



Every society struggles with drug and alcohol abuse. Australia is no exception.



Illicit drugs harm families, damage communities and hinder the capacity of our country to grow and succeed.

The Australian National Council on Drugs (ANCD) was set up by Prime Minister John Howard in 1998 to help with the fight against illicit drugs. Fifteen years on, the ANCD continues its work to make Australians more aware of the dangers of drug and alcohol abuse.

The work of the ANCD stops lives from being harmed or destroyed by the scourge of illicit drugs.

The ANCD plays a vital role in raising awareness of substance abuse and addressing it through sound research and community consultation.

I thank the ANCD for their important work.

The Honourable Tony Abbott MP

Prime Minister of Australia

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