

ACT Alcohol, Tobacco
and Other Drug Sector:
4th Annual Conference



NOT IF, BUT HOW:

Collaboratively Implementing
Innovative and Evidence-Based
ATOD Policy and Programs

Conference Room, Level 4,
National Library of Australia
Parkes Place, Parkes
Thursday 23 June 2011
9am – 5pm
(registration from 8:45am)

Conference Program

ACT ATOD services are delivered in an ever-changing policy environment. The release of the *ACT Alcohol Tobacco and Other Drug Strategy 2010 – 2014* last year provided us with a strong foundation on which to improve our response to ATOD issues in our community. But where has progress been made, and where are we heading over the next 12 months?

In light of the significant changes occurring in and around the ATOD sector in recent months, the Fourth Annual ACT ATOD Sector Conference will explore four areas of priority work and the evidence base on which we need to progress. In discussing the implications for our policy and practice, we will explore innovative ideas for moving forward and determining how our sector will be the driver for change.

ATODA, in collaboration with the ACT Drug Action Week Planning Group and the ACT ATOD sector, will be hosting the 4th Annual ACT Alcohol Tobacco and Other Drug Sector Conference as part of Drug Action Week. For further information about the conference please contact a member of the ATODA staff on conference@atoda.org.au or (02) 6255 4070 or www.atoda.org.au.

Session 1: Not If, But How (9am – 10:30am)	
Introduction	Ms Carrie Fowlie, Executive Officer, ATODA
Welcome to Country	Mrs Agnes Shea OAM, Ngunnawal Elder
Conference Facilitator	Associate Professor Lynne Magor-Blatch, University of Canberra & Executive Officer, Australasian Therapeutic Communities Association
Opening Address	Mr Jeremy Boland, Official Visitor Jayke, Consumer Perspectives
How?... Moving Forward Together	Ms Bernadette Mitcherson, Executive Director, ACT Corrective Services
Facilitated Discussion	
Morning tea (10:30am – 10:55am)	

Session 2: How?... Drug Diversion in a Small Jurisdiction (11am – 12:30pm)	
Diversion of Drug Offenders in Australia: towards optimal system design	Dr Caitlin Hughes, Research Fellow, Drug Policy Modelling Program, National Drug and Alcohol Research Centre, University of New South Wales
Panel Presentations	Mr Shane Drumgold, Senior Advocate, Department of Public Prosecutions Mr Fred Monaghan, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elected Body & Gugan Gulwan Youth Aboriginal Corporation Mr David Matthews, Director, Community Services Directorate <i>Apologies from the Drug Diversion Program, Health Directorate</i>
Facilitated Discussion	
Lunch (12:30pm – 1:10pm) Poster presentations	

Session 3: How?... Expanding Naloxone Availability (1:15pm – 2:45pm)	
Naloxone Evidence	Associate Professor Paul Dietze, Head of Alcohol and Other Drug Research Centre for Population Health, Burnet Institute
Consumer Perspectives	Ms Nicole Wiggins, Manager, Canberra Alliance for Harm Minimisation and Advocacy
GP Perspectives and Implementation	Dr Tuck Meng Soo, Interchange General Practice & AOD Advisor, ACT Division of General Practice
Facilitated Discussion	
Afternoon tea (2:45pm – 3:10pm)	

Session 4: How?... Needle and Syringe Program in the AMC (3:15pm – 5pm)	
NSP in Prisons Models, Experiences and Processes	Ms Melanie Walker, Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Public Health Association of Australia
Facilitated Discussions	
Wrap up, evaluation, acknowledgements and where to from here Ms Carrie Fowlie, Executive Officer, ATODA (5pm close)	

For further information about Drug Action Week in the ACT, including a calendar of over 40 activities, visit www.atoda.org.au

