

Australian National Council on Drugs

2001 - 2004 Work Plan

Background:

The development of a three (3) year Work Plan is required under the ANCD's Terms of Reference, and has been used to ensure the work of the ANCD occurs within a planned, strategic framework that also provides a mechanism for accountability.

It is also envisaged that the ANCD Terms of Reference requirement to report annually to the Prime Minister and the Ministerial Council on Drug Strategy (MCDS) will be a progress report on the implementation of this 2001-2004 ANCD Work Plan.

The Australian National Council on Drugs (ANCD) 2001-2004 Work Plan has been developed and designed to provide an action and achievement orientated pathway for the ANCD to meet all of its new terms of reference over the next three (3) years. It also builds upon the previous work of the ANCD that occurred under the 1998-2001 ANCD Work Plan and its previous terms of reference.

It should be noted that within the 2001-2004 ANCD Work Plan, the word "drug" refers to all drugs, including alcohol.

Terms of Reference:

The ANCD Terms of Reference for 2001-2004 are as follows:

- a. Provide independent advice to the Prime Minister and the MCDS on national drug strategies and policies
- b. Contribute to the effectiveness of Australia's supply, demand and harm reduction initiatives, consistent with the national interest.
- c. Provide independent and strategic advice on drug policy and services to Federal Government and other bodies and parliamentary parties, as appropriate.
- d. Consult and liaise with the drug and alcohol and related sector, and in particular the non-government sector.
- e. Inform and educate public knowledge and discussion on drug related issues.
- f. Build and maintain partnerships across the range of sectors concerned in dealing with and addressing drug related issues.
- g. Work closely with the Inter-governmental Committee on Drugs (IGCD) and the National Expert Advisory Committees to develop and implement effective strategies, policies and programs to address the uptake and misuse of illicit and licit drugs.

- h. Maintain effective liaison with other stakeholders, public health advisory bodies and relevant peak non-government organisations.
- i. Develop a 3 year Work Plan for the Council.
- j. Report annually to the Prime Minister and the MCDS on the work of the Council.

Introduction:

The unique positioning of the ANCD within the national drug advisory structure, whereby it is able to report directly to the Prime Minister and the Ministerial Council on Drug Strategy, is complemented by its ability to act as conduit for the broader community, and in particular for the agencies and people dealing with drug use issues. This ability to act as a conduit enables a broad range of individuals and organisations to have input into the drug policy and service delivery decision-making process. The ability of the ANCD to ensure information on national policy, strategies and services also flows back to these groups is another important benefit of this positioning.

The 2001-2004 ANCD Work Plan reflects this unique positioning and role of the ANCD. The ANCD Work Plan explicitly states the principles and objectives that will inform the ANCD responses to drug issues. It is hoped this Work Plan will promote a greater awareness, understanding and acceptance within the community to these responses.

The ANCD recognises that the environment surrounding drug issues, like many health and social environments in the world today, is subject to continual and sometimes rapid change. Accordingly, the ANCD Work Plan provides clearly defined actions, as well as incorporating a level of flexibility to ensure and relevant responses and appropriate allocation of resources over the next three (3) years.

Relationship to the National Drug Strategic Framework

The ANCD is committed to making a meaningful contribution to the achievement of the goals and objectives of the current and future National Drug Strategic Frameworks. This is achieved by:

1. Ensuring that the views and aspirations of the non-government sector, families, specific communities and the general community are heard and articulated to government;
2. Commissioning a range of research and work projects to better inform policy and service delivery;
3. Communicating identified and emerging trends and issues in drug use;
4. Working closely with the structures, institutions, groups and individuals responsible for the planning, implementation and evaluation of Australia's national drug policies, strategies and frameworks.

ANCD Principles:

Although the 2001-2004 ANCD Work Plan is able to provide an understanding of the work to be undertaken by the ANCD over the next three (3) years, it is also important to articulate and understand the principles that will underpin this work. They are:

1. Development of drug policy and strategies that are based on evidence and information on the extent and severity of harms in the community, as well as the measured effectiveness of programs and services.
2. Encouragement of consensus and common aims within the community to reduce drug related harm by reconciling competing and differing views on drug issues.
3. Provision of a long-term outlook that provides effective responses to issues likely to affect future generations.
4. Contribution of additional and different experiences and knowledge, especially from the non-government sector, families and various groups within our communities into the national drug policy development and debate.
5. Facilitation of resources into communities to engage local communities, as well as those delivering services in developing and implementing locally relevant activities.

6. Encouragement for the generation of ideas and innovative approaches.
7. Ensuring the needs of all groups within our communities, but particularly those that are disadvantaged, are not neglected by drug policy and service developments.
8. Providing continuing support for the Australian approach to dealing with drugs, which is based on reducing harm and addressing all drug issues through a multi-layered and multi-sectoral response, that promotes partnerships and co-operation between all relevant elements of government, especially in health, justice, law enforcement and education, as well as co-operation between government and the non-government sector.
9. Contribution to the breadth and depth of understanding of drug issues and problems in Australia by defining and documenting contemporary needs, especially those that are unmet.
10. Promotion of a greater understanding on the extent and characteristics of drug issues across Australia within defined sub-population groups.
11. Balancing the viewpoints and issues affecting drug users, their families, their friends and the expressed community concerns regarding safety and amenity.

12. Increasing the focus on effective and evidence based preventive strategies, policies and programs, particularly those targeting youth.
13. Responsible use of its privileged position and relationship at the national level to influence the full spectrum of government activity and enterprise in response to drug problems in Australia.
14. A focus and contribution to areas that are likely to be difficult or problematic to deal with in the government domain, particularly in regard to the constraints imposed by bureaucracy.
15. A desire to measure the performance of the ANCD in meeting the needs of those sectors with which it works.

Challenges:

The ANCD recognises that there will be particular challenges that require a sustained and strong commitment to be effectively addressed. These include:

- (i) Targeting early intervention and preventive measures in child development, as well as preventive measures in youth and adulthood, across the range of health and social policy issues.
- (ii) Appropriate management of persons who develop problematic drug use, particularly those people within and in contact with the criminal justice system, and those experiencing social needs such as housing, welfare and other widely held expectations associated with life in Australia.
- (iii) The ongoing predicament of Indigenous communities in Australia. It is our belief that a strong and ongoing commitment from all governments and the community, in co-operation with Indigenous communities is required to address the issues affecting Indigenous peoples.
- (iv) Reducing the level of discrimination and stigmatisation of drug users to ensure that access to reasonable health, welfare and social entitlements and care is available.

- (v) Acknowledging the differences that exist in a multicultural society, particularly the need to recognise these differences in drug policies, strategies and services.
- (vi) The development of drug policies that are in co-operation and complementary with other health and social policies. The overlap between these policies, such as mental health issues, suicide prevention, crime prevention etc, is often high, especially in the early years of life and youthful development.
- (vii) Raising the level of public consciousness and consensus on key issues and responses for evidence based policies, strategies and programs.

Term of Reference (a): Provide independent advice to the Prime Minister and the MCDS on national drug strategies and policies

Objective	Actions	Performance Indicators
<p>(i) Contribute to the provision of timely and effective advice which has an impact on the decisions of Ministers and their advisers, particularly in regard to the development, implementation and evaluation of National Drug Strategies.</p>	<p>Review evidence, build consensus, commission work and monitor emerging trends.</p> <p>Provide high level strategic advice, incorporating non-government and AOD and related sector consultations, to Ministerial Councils, appropriate Ministers, inter-governmental committees and relevant Departments.</p>	<p>Preparation of reports, correspondence and meetings between ANCD members and the Prime Minister, relevant Ministers etc.</p> <p>Number of reports to the Prime Minister and MCDS.</p> <p>Quality and relevance of ANCD submissions, reports and advice on National Drug Strategy components as assessed by impact on national, state and territory drug policies and/or stakeholder feedback.</p> <p>Level of ANCD member representation, participation and contribution to work of relevant committees, reference groups etc.</p>
<p>(ii) Effective presentation of the views and issues relating to the NGO and community sectors, and other stakeholders, in advice on national drug strategy and policy formulation.</p>	<p>Develop consultation process with NGO, community and other stakeholders.</p> <p>Ensure effective and quality-based ANCD contribution at meetings of relevant councils, committees, meetings etc.</p>	<p>Level of NGO, community and stakeholder participation in consultation process, including level of satisfaction with ANCD ability to present these views effectively.</p> <p>ANCD participation and contribution sought at meetings and forums.</p> <p>Annual Report to Prime Minister and MCDS.</p>

Term of Reference (b): Contribute to the effectiveness of Australia’s supply, demand and harm reduction initiatives, consistent with the national interest.

Objectives	Actions	Performance Indicators
Integration Plans		
<p>(i) Achieve a greater level of understanding amongst decision-makers on the impacts, links, effectiveness and benefits of an integrative and complementary approach to supply, demand and harm reduction initiatives.</p>	<p>Provide advice and information on a range of drug use issues aimed at integrating supply, demand and harm reduction initiatives.</p> <p>Commission research and work projects, and provide advice to enhance understanding of the relative contribution of law enforcement activities, both separately and together with demand and harm reduction activities.</p> <p>Support the introduction of innovative strategies and programs, in supply, demand and harm reduction, where there is a sufficient evidence base.</p>	<p>Quality and relevance of ANCD commissioned research and position papers, as assessed by impact on national, state and territory drug policies and/or stakeholder feedback.</p> <p>Level of advice, information and support given on policies and strategies shown to be effective, and the level of promotion of those innovative strategies that hold promise, to governments and other relevant bodies.</p>
<p>(ii) Raise awareness of the impact of supply, demand and harm reduction initiatives on issues affecting particular communities, such as women, youth, Indigenous people and communities, families, past and present drug users, rural communities, co-morbid clients, people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds, prisoners, etc.</p>	<p>Conduct at least one innovative, quality project per annum to advance the understanding of issues affecting a particular community.</p> <p>Provide advice on effective policies, strategies and programs to address the issues affecting specific communities.</p> <p>Provide advice on the impact of current and proposed policies, strategies and programs to address the issues affecting specific communities.</p>	<p>Completion of a work project or report targeting a specific community each year.</p> <p>Impact on policies, strategies and programs for various specific communities adversely affected by drug use.</p> <p>Level of participation in appropriate advisory councils, committees, etc for specific community strategies and initiatives.</p> <p>Number of relevant reports provided to the Prime Minister and relevant Ministers.</p>

Objectives	Actions	Performance Indicators
<p>(iii) Greater level of accountability, value and transparency in the allocation and funding decision making process.</p>	<p>In liaison with appropriate bodies, contribute to reviews of funding allocations.</p> <p>Commission and review reports and evaluations on the effectiveness of particular strategies.</p> <p>Encourage transparency through greater levels of reporting of the level of integration within the range of initiatives and strategies implemented.</p> <p>Provide strategic advice and recommendations to governments on priority areas for allocation of resources.</p>	<p>Number of reports and papers related to the review of funding allocations.</p> <p>Impact on national, state and territory drug funding decisions, as assessed by monitoring stakeholder feedback.</p>

Supply Reduction Plans		
<p>(iv) Provide expert advice on the effectiveness and improvement of supply reduction initiatives.</p>	<p>In liaison with appropriate supply reduction authorities conduct a commissioned project targeting supply reduction strategies that can provide clear advice on improving the effectiveness of Australia's approach.</p> <p>In liaison with appropriate bodies, contribute to reviews and evaluations on the effectiveness of supply reduction initiatives within the overall approach to address drug issues.</p> <p>Engage relevant authorities (eg: researchers, etc) on the efficiency / cost-benefits of supply reduction strategies, including presentations to Council, reviewing research reports, attending seminars etc.</p>	<p>Completion of commissioned work and associated activities related to projects targeting supply reduction initiatives.</p> <p>Level of participation in appropriate advisory councils, committees, etc for supply reduction strategies and initiatives.</p> <p>Number of relevant reports provided to the Prime Minister and relevant Ministers.</p>
Demand Reduction Plans		
<p>(v) Provide expert advice on the effectiveness and improvement of demand reduction initiatives.</p>	<p>Conduct a commissioned project targeting demand, reduction strategies that can provide clear advice on improving the effectiveness of Australia's approach.</p> <p>In liaison with appropriate bodies, contribute to reviews and evaluations on the effectiveness of demand reduction initiatives within the overall approach to address drug issues.</p> <p>Engage relevant authorities (eg: researchers) on the efficiency / cost-benefits of demand reduction strategies, including presentations to Council, reviewing research reports, attending seminars etc.</p>	<p>Completion of commissioned work and associated activities related to project targeting demand reduction initiatives.</p> <p>Level of participation in appropriate advisory councils, committees, etc for demand reduction strategies and initiatives.</p> <p>Number of relevant reports provided to the Prime Minister and relevant Ministers.</p>

Harm Reduction Plans		
<p>(vi) Provide expert advice on the effectiveness and improvement of harm reduction initiatives.</p>	<p>Conduct a commissioned project targeting harm reduction strategies that can provide clear advice on improving the effectiveness of Australia's approach.</p> <p>In liaison with appropriate bodies, contribute to reviews and evaluations on the effectiveness of harm reduction initiatives within the overall approach to address drug issues.</p> <p>Engage relevant authorities (eg: researchers, etc) on the efficiency / cost-benefits of harm reduction strategies, including presentations to Council, reviewing research reports, attending seminars, etc.</p>	<p>Completion of commissioned work and associated activities related to project targeting harm reduction initiatives.</p> <p>Level of participation in appropriate advisory councils, committees, etc for harm reduction strategies and initiatives.</p> <p>Number of relevant reports provided to the Prime Minister and relevant Ministers.</p>
National Interest Plans		
<p>(vii) Increased attention on the workforce development needs of all professions and people dealing and working with drug use issues.</p>	<p>Provide advice on identified and emerging service and staffing difficulties and bring these to the attention of government and other relevant bodies.</p> <p>Provide advice, and in some cases investigate the barriers to staff development within the professions and agencies dealing and working with drug use issues.</p> <p>Promote learning and staff development opportunities through direct ANCD involvement, as well as by other means.</p>	<p>Level of workforce development issues that have received increased profile and recognition.</p> <p>Impact on policies, strategies and programs designed to address the workforce development needs of all professions and people dealing and working with drug use issues.</p>

<p>(viii) Greater international and regional understanding of the Australian approach to drug use issues, including increased information sharing amongst agencies and services dealing with drug use issues, particularly in the area of policy development and service provision.</p>	<p>Develop a more informed understanding on the international approaches and responses to drug use issues, including the identification of areas for greater co-operation.</p> <p>Establish a greater degree of regional and international co-operation with equivalent advisory bodies to the ANCD, in relation to drug issues.</p> <p>Maintain awareness, and if appropriate, provide advice on Australia's international agreements and other arrangements that may impact on Australian drug policies and initiatives.</p>	<p>Number of reports provided to the Prime Minister and relevant Ministers.</p> <p>Level of participation and attendance in appropriate and relevant regional and international forums, steering committees etc, including number of international visitors and contacts.</p> <p>Level of responses to drug use issues in Australia that are informed by international experience and evidence.</p>
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Term of Reference (c): Provide independent and strategic advice on drug policy and services to Federal Government and other bodies and parliamentary parties, as appropriate.

Objectives	Actions	Performance Indicators
<p>(i) Establish appropriate consultative mechanisms for providing input to policy development and implementation of National Drug Strategy components.</p>	<p>Ensure participation of ANCD members at forums and on reference groups in relation to National Drug Strategy components.</p> <p>Implement appropriate consultative forums and other opportunities to facilitate NGO and community sectors working with drug issues, a means to contribute ideas and views, as part of ANCD advice on drug policy, strategy and services.</p> <p>Make recommendations to Government on policy and program issues.</p>	<p>Level of ANCD representation at forums, on reference groups and informal meetings, in relation to National Drug Strategy components.</p> <p>Provision of high quality written and oral reports, advice and recommendations to the Prime Minister, relevant Ministers, IGCD, and others, as assessed by impact on national, state and territory drug policies and/or stakeholder feedback.</p>
<p>(ii) Increase the level of consensus and acceptance for consistent substance use policies across the nation, including across political parties.</p>	<p>Develop advice for consideration by government which encourages cross party support for National Drug Strategic Frameworks.</p> <p>Regular discussions with Prime Minister, the Minister for Health and Aged Care, MCDS, other Ministers as appropriate and Opposition and other political party leaders.</p>	<p>Level of uniformity in national substance use policies.</p> <p>Impact on national, state and territory drug policies, as assessed by monitoring stakeholder feedback.</p> <p>Number of occasions on which reports and advice are provided and requested by political parties.</p> <p>Number of meetings (formal and informal) with political leaders, Ministers, relevant shadow Ministers, their advisers and other key decision makers.</p> <p>Level of ANCD links with parliamentary parties, committees etc.</p>

Term of Reference (d): Consult and liaise with the drug and alcohol and related sector, and in particular the non-government sector.

Objectives	Actions	Performance Indicators
<p>(i) Support initiatives that strengthen capacity of the NGO and community sectors to respond to drug issues at the national and community level by increasing the understanding of key decision makers of NGO and community sector viewpoints and advice.</p>	<p>Development of consultative mechanisms to enhance involvement of the NGO and community sectors in the development, implementation, (including funding processes) and review of drug related policies and programs.</p> <p>Commission work that provides NGO and community sector organisations with information and education.</p> <p>Consult broadly with NGO and community sectors on drug initiatives, ensuring ANCD advice reflects expertise of NGO sector, and complements advice coming from government advisory bodies.</p>	<p>Level of involvement of the NGO and community sectors in policy development on drug related issues.</p> <p>Number of meetings with the NGO and community sectors.</p> <p>Number or work projects targeting NGO and community sectors.</p> <p>Impact on national, state and territory drug policies by the NGO and community sectors, as assessed by monitoring stakeholder feedback.</p>
<p>(ii) Ensure relevance of drug policy to a range of sectors in the community, including individuals, community organizations, education sector, police and others involved in the issue of drugs.</p>	<p>Consult broadly on drug policy issues and strategies to ensure that ANCD advice and reports are appropriately informed by the range of community sector views.</p>	<p>Quality and relevance of ANCD submissions, reports and advice on National Drug Strategy components as assessed by impact on national, state and territory drug policies and/or stakeholder feedback.</p>

Objectives	Actions	Performance Indicators
<p>(iii) Ensure appropriate opportunities for the NGO and community sectors to influence and better understand the work and role of the ANCD, as well as the development and implementation of drug policies, strategies and programs.</p>	<p>Provide for a range of avenues for NGOs and the community to access information on the work of ANCD, as well as relevant national policies and initiatives.</p> <p>Hold regular meetings and provide other opportunities to facilitate effective consultation with the NGO and community sectors.</p>	<p>Level of use of feedback mechanism on the ANCD website.</p> <p>Number of forums held, as well as the level of attendance at these forums.</p> <p>Numbers of requests for ANCD information, publications, etc.</p> <p>Requests for ANCD member attendance and or formal duties at community level events (eg launch of new services, community meetings etc).</p> <p>Level of input, feedback etc from the NGO and community sector to the ANCD.</p>

Term of Reference (e): Inform and educate public knowledge and discussion on drug related issues.

Objectives	Actions	Performance Indicators
<p>(i) Better informed alcohol and other drug sector, professions dealing with drug use issues and general public on the rationale and reasons guiding drug policies, strategies and programs.</p>	<p>Develop a series of information and discussion papers in high priority areas to identify key areas for further research, to encourage informed public discussion and to canvass policy and program options.</p> <p>Issue media releases and/or host media launches on key drug issues.</p> <p>Develop and maintain regular, positive and developmental contact with media organisations.</p> <p>Maintain and review the ANCD website.</p>	<p>Number of information and discussion papers for public release and consultation papers produced per year.</p> <p>Number of media releases and media launches.</p> <p>Extent of media coverage of ANCD activities Number of regular columns or articles prepared by ANCD members on a variety of topical AOD issues.</p> <p>Level of increase in responsible and accurate reporting of drug issues in the public domain.</p> <p>Number of sessions and feedback responses from the ANCD website.</p>
<p>(ii) Promote discussion on drug issues and ANCD activities amongst professionals and people working with drug issues. using a variety of mediums including existing periodicals, forums, etc.</p>	<p>Contribute to content of appropriate publications targeting professionals and people working with drug issues.</p> <p>Develop appropriate, accurate and timely position papers on various drug issues.</p> <p>Host regular discussion forums with professionals and people working with drug issues.</p> <p>Preparation and distribution of ANCD Annual Report.</p>	<p>Number of columns and other publications in AOD periodicals.</p> <p>Number of position papers and ANCD reports printed and distributed.</p> <p>Number of forums conducted.</p> <p>Level of ANCD Annual Report distribution.</p>

Objectives	Actions	Performance Indicators
(iii) Ensure an understanding amongst ANCD members on the role, relationship and processes in dealing with the media on behalf of the ANCD.	Develop protocols and procedures for ANCD external communication, including media relations.	ANCD member agreed and accepted media protocols section within the ANCD Policy and Procedures Manual.

Term of Reference (f): Build and maintain partnerships across the range of sectors concerned in dealing with and addressing drug related issues.

Objectives	Actions	Performance Indicators
<p>(i) Achieve a greater level of understanding and awareness across relevant Commonwealth, State and Territory Governments and departments and other relevant organisations and bodies (such as those dealing with matters related to education, justice, youth, family, law enforcement etc) on drug issues.</p>	<p>Develop drug policy and program advice for consideration by a number of relevant Commonwealth, State and Territory Governments, departments, as well as other relevant organisations and bodies.</p> <p>Advise on the impact of policy and program development and implementation by relevant Commonwealth, State and Territory Governments, departments, as well as other relevant organisations and bodies, on drug policies, strategies and services.</p>	<p>Impact on national, state and territory drug policies, as assessed by monitoring stakeholder feedback.</p> <p>Number of relevant Commonwealth, State and Territory Governments, departments and other relevant organisations requesting and receiving advice from the ANCD.</p> <p>Number of presentations and other advice provided to relevant Commonwealth, State and Territory Governments, departments and other relevant organisations.</p>
<p>(ii) Improve links and awareness of drug issues across all sectors by contributing towards a greater level of consensus, co-operation and collaboration between related sectors and stakeholders, and working towards a consistent cross-sectoral approach at a national, state and territory level.</p>	<p>Provide advice to promote genuine, strategic and valuable partnerships between key law enforcement, research, education and treatment organisations and broader sector representatives.</p> <p>Liaise with important stakeholders to discuss a range of drug issues.</p>	<p>Impact on national, state and territory drug policies, as assessed by monitoring stakeholder feedback.</p> <p>Number of presentations and other advice provided to appropriate organisations on improving co-operation and collaboration across health, social and other relevant sectors.</p>

Term of Reference (g): Work closely with the Inter-governmental Committee on Drugs (IGCD) and the National Expert Advisory Committees (NEAC) to develop and implement effective strategies, policies and programs.

Objectives	Actions	Performance Indicators
<p>(i) Achieve a greater understanding and reduce the overlap and duplication of work undertaken by groups positioned within the national drug advisory structure.</p>	<p>Establish and maintain regular and formal links with the IGCD.</p> <p>Provide ANCD Work Plan to IGCD for information and seek similar information from IGCD for ANCD consideration.</p> <p>Presentation of reports on the directions and progress of the ANCD priorities at IGCD and NEAC meetings.</p> <p>Presentation of reports on the directions and progress of IGCD and NEAC priorities to be presented to ANCD</p> <p>Receive and review reports from NEAC.</p> <p>Seek opportunities to incorporate work of NEAC into work of ANCD.</p>	<p>Number of formal meetings between ANCD and IGCD.</p> <p>Number of formal meetings between ANCD and NEAC.</p> <p>Level of IGCD and NEAC input into ANCD work projects and priorities.</p> <p>Extent to which NEAC advice is adopted by ANCD.</p> <p>Level of ANCD, IGCD and NEAC work that is complementary and consistent in approach, as measured by stakeholder feedback.</p>
<p>(ii) Support the achievement of common national approaches in key drug issues.</p>	<p>Participate in regular liaison and discussions between groups positioned in the national drug advisory structure.</p>	<p>Level of agreement between the Commonwealth, State and Territory Governments to a common national approach in key drug issues.</p>

Term of Reference (h): Maintain effective liaison with other stakeholders, public health advisory bodies and relevant peak non-government organizations.

Objectives	Actions	Performance Indicators
(i) Increase the level of harmonisation between public health and other strategies.	<p>Support processes to strengthen co-operation and communication between relevant national peak advisory bodies.</p> <p>Develop collaborative projects with appropriate national peak advisory bodies.</p> <p>Ensure drug issues are incorporated into other public health strategies.</p> <p>Liaise closely with other bodies responsible for related public health and safety strategies, increasing the level of information sharing and minimising the risk of duplication.</p> <p>Ensure the work of ANCD takes account of the impact of other public health issues.</p>	<p>Extent to which the advisory bodies of other related public health strategies address drug use and misuse in an integrated and consistent manner.</p> <p>Extent to which Council considers issues relevant to other national strategies in its deliberations in an integrated and consistent manner.</p> <p>Level of participation and interaction with other national peak advisory bodies.</p> <p>Number of collaborative projects with other national peak advisory bodies.</p>
(ii) Greater co-operation and collaboration amongst key peak NGO bodies and the ANCD on the broader health, social and welfare issues that impact on drug policies, strategies and programs.	<p>Develop and maintain working relationships with peak NGO's across the health, social and welfare sector.</p> <p>Facilitate and participate in regular meetings with peak NGO bodies.</p>	<p>Number of collaborative projects, meetings etc, with peak NGO bodies.</p> <p>Level of participation and interaction with peak NGO bodies.</p>