

Information for participants

Tasmanian Drug Strategy Online Community Survey

You are invited to participate in the Tasmanian Department of Health's final phase of community consultation on the next Tasmanian Drug Strategy 2023-2028 (TDS).

The Mental Health, Alcohol and Drug Directorate (the Directorate), on behalf of the Department of Health, is leading this consultation process.

Why is the consultation being done?

We have engaged in an extensive process of consulting with key stakeholders and the public, and we are now in our final stage of consultation on the Tasmanian Drug Strategy 2023-2028.

The survey presents an opportunity for Tasmanians to ensure the final draft TDS reflects what is important to them and the people they know when it concerns alcohol, tobacco and other drugs in Tasmania.

Final phase consultations will take place through an [online survey](https://www.health.tas.gov.au/form/tasmanian-drug-strategy-2023-2021) [https://www.health.tas.gov.au/form/tasmanian-drug-strategy-2023-2021] which is open from **21 June 2023 to 4 August 2023**, and statewide face-to-face consultation workshops are planned for the end of July. We will provide dates and venue details closer to the time.

Who can participate?

We want to hear from people in the community and in the alcohol and other drug workforce about the draft Tasmanian Drug Strategy.

Participation in this survey is voluntary and all responses will remain anonymous and confidential.

Please note that completion of the online community survey will be taken as your implied consent to participate in the online community survey consultation process.

What will you be asked to do?

You will be asked to complete a survey that will take approximately 15 minutes.

You can complete the survey online or send a printed completed survey to:

Attention: Robyn Greaves
Tasmanian Drug Strategy
Mental Health, Alcohol and Drug Directorate
Department of Health Tasmania
GPO Box 125, Hobart, Tasmania, 7001

What will happen to the information collected?

The Department of Health will adhere to the following protocols to ensure your privacy and confidentiality is maintained throughout the consultation process:

- All information you give us will be kept strictly confidential and will be stored on a password encrypted system according to strict national privacy guidelines for five years.
- All information published will be deidentified and published as grouped information only. Grouped information means that you will not be able to be personally identified in any publications about the survey, and your name will not be used.
- Only authorised staff will have access to the data collected from this survey.

How will results of this survey be used?

The data collected from this survey will be used inform the next Tasmanian Drug Strategy.

What will happen next?

Once we have completed this last round of consultation, we will re-draft the Strategy and seek the Tasmanian Government's approval to release the new Tasmanian Drug Strategy, anticipate in late-2023.

How will your participation help?

Your participation will help inform a range of ATOD planning in Tasmania.

The voice of the Tasmanian community is important, and we value your time and contribution.

Thank you for your interest in guiding meaningful action to inform the next Tasmanian Drug Strategy, and for contributing to meaningful change for people living in Tasmania.

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Further information

If you require further information or have any questions or concerns, you can contact:

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Support services

If you, or someone you know is struggling with ATOD use, seek help and support from family, friends, colleagues, or a GP, or by contacting:

- National Alcohol and Other Drugs Hotline (1800 250 015)
- A Tasmanian Lifeline (1800 98 44 34)
- Lifeline (13 11 14)

In an emergency, call Triple Zero (000)

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