



# AOD Reform Sector Consultation

On February & March 2023, the AOD Reform Program commenced sector wide consultation Stage 1 & 2 to develop the 2023-2024 AOD Reform Agenda Implementation Plan and inform future AOD Reform investment.



The consultation was led by the AOD Reform Program Team, represented by Zoe Bok, Senior Project Officer (AOD Reform Program), Chris Fox (Group Director, Mental Health Reform Team (MHRT)), Kayley Luttrell (AOD Project Officer), Movi Manandhar (Project Support Officer – Communications) with support from the Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drugs Council, Tasmania's (ATDC) Gregory Taylor (Reform Agenda Officer).

Reflective of the cross-unit, cross-sector consultation approach adopted, speakers included Tania Holland and Jodi Jones, Primary Health Tasmania, Chris Fox, MHRT Department of Health, Darren Turner and Nicolle Ait Khelifa, Alcohol and Drug Service, Department of Health, Gregory Taylor, ATDC and Robyn Greaves, Mental Health, Alcohol and Drug Directorate, Department of Health.

The first stage of consultation occurred in January to February 2023. Over this period, the team conducted over 20 consultation sessions with AOD sector participants which included small focus groups and team meetings held across the State. The focus of the consultation was to reintroduce the AOD Reform Agenda and to learn about the community's priorities in implementing AOD Reform key actions in Tasmania.

The participants engaged in discussion regarding the following questions:

- Which key actions within the AOD Reform Agenda might we prioritise and why?
- How would you like to be involved? And which key actions would you like to be involved in?
- How can we best communicate with your team(s) moving forward?



The second stage of consultation occurred in March 2023. Stage two consultation included three regional workshops held in the North, North-west and South of the State. This consultation was focused on workshopping opportunities to progress the implementation of the key AOD Reform actions identified as priorities during the first round of consultation.



Participants included people with lived and living experience (advocates, clients, carers, families, and friends), representatives from specialist government AOD services and specialist non-government AOD services, primary health care (including GPs), private sector providers, Emergency Department/s, Statewide Mental Health Services, Tasmania Police, Department of Justice and identified specific population groups.

The Project Team would like to thank everyone for their valuable contributions and look forward to furthering engagement with the sector into the future.

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