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Policy and submissions

- NADA provided a submission on the Draft National Preventative Health Strategy, and provided input into the AADC submission.
- NADA supported a position paper by the National AOD Coalition on AOD workforce capability to the Department of Health.
- NADA sent letters to the Department of Health and NSW Ministry of Health requesting the inclusion of gender and sexuality items in AOD related datasets.
- NADA led on a letter to the NSW Premier with a range of AOD and related sector leaders calling on the NSW Government to respond to the Special Commission of Inquiry into the Drug 'Ice' recommendations.

Advocacy and representation

- Key meetings: NSW Ministry of Health; NSW Department of Communities and Justice; Department of Health; Australian Alcohol and other Drugs Council; Mental Health Coordinating Council; NSW Council of Social Services; Youth Action; AOD Peaks Network; Health Justice Australia; Justice Reform Initiative; and NSW/ACT PHN AOD Network.
- Ongoing meeting representation: NSW Ministry of Health COVID-19 Clinical Council, NGO CoP and AOD CoP; NSW Department of Communities and Justice steering committee for the Social Sector Transformation Fund; range of working groups related to the NSW Ministry of Health's Strategic Research and Evaluation Plan; NSW Ministry of Health committee tasked with informing the development and delivery of a workforce development package and implementation strategy for the NSW Clinical Care Standards; NCOSS Health Equity Alliance.
- In partnership with the Department of Criminal Justice (DCJ), NADA facilitated a cross sector forum to enhance partnerships between the non government AOD sector and the DCJ child protection sector.
- NADA has supported member engagement in the NSW Ministry of Health's Business and Funding Models Study, as well representing members on the steering committee.

Information on NADA's policy and advocacy work, including Sector Watch and the meetings that NADA represents its members, is available on the NADA website [here](#).