



WA Primary Health Alliance PHN Drug and Alcohol Treatment Perth South 2024/25 - 2027/28 Activity Summary View

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AOD 1001 - Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services Maintenance



Activity Metadata

Applicable Schedule

Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services - Perth South

Activity Prefix

AOD

Activity Number

1001

Activity Title

AOD 1001 - Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services Maintenance

Existing, Modified or New Activity

Existing



Activity Priorities and Description

Program Key Priority Area

Alcohol and Other Drugs

Aim of Activity

Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services Maintenance

Description of Activity

Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services Maintenance

Needs Assessment Priorities

Needs Assessment

WAPHA Needs Assessment 2022-2024

Priorities

Priority	Page reference
Increase access to early screening and treatment for harmful alcohol use. (Metro)	27
Ensure WAPHA AOD commissioned services have treatment pathways for pharmaceutical drug addictions. (Metro)	27
Promote integration and coordinated care pathways for clients with mental health condition and harmful alcohol and other drug use. (Metro)	27



Activity Demographics

Indigenous Specific

No

Coverage

Whole Region

Yes



Activity Consultation and Collaboration

Consultation

The PHN continues to engage with stakeholders to understand the complexities of service delivery including gaps, priorities and changing needs within the community. The PHN supports the development of effective care pathways that work across the health spectrum to improve health outcomes. Stakeholders include peak bodies representing consumers, families, and carers; primary care; Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Services and Organisations; health, welfare, and community service providers; State government agencies and health service providers.

Collaboration

The PHN will continue to collaborate with the WA Mental Health Commission through its formal partnership arrangement to coordinate planning and commissioning of alcohol and other drug treatment services. The PHN will work closely with the WA Network of Alcohol and other Drug Agencies to support workforce development and quality improvement of the alcohol and other drug services sector.



Activity Milestone Details/Duration

Activity Start Date

30/03/2022

Activity End Date

29/06/2026



Activity Commissioning

Please identify your intended procurement approach for commissioning services under this activity:

Not Yet Known: No

Continuing Service Provider / Contract Extension: Yes

Direct Engagement: No

Open Tender: No

Expression Of Interest (EOI): No

Other Approach (please provide details): No

Is this activity in scope for data collection under the Alcohol and Other Drug Treatment Services?

No



Activity Planned Expenditure

Funding Stream	FY 23 24	FY 24 25	FY 25 26	FY 26 27	FY 27 28	Total
Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services Maintenance	\$195,423.88	\$185,927.23	\$287,251.55	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$668,602.66
Total	\$195,423.88	\$185,927.23	\$287,251.55	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$668,602.66

AOD 1100 - AOD Specialist Treatment (Core)



Activity Metadata

Applicable Schedule

Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services - Perth South

Activity Prefix

AOD

Activity Number

1100

Activity Title

AOD 1100 - AOD Specialist Treatment (Core)

Existing, Modified or New Activity

Existing



Activity Priorities and Description

Program Key Priority Area

Alcohol and Other Drugs

Aim of Activity

To increase access and availability of evidence-based drug and alcohol treatment services for individuals, their families and communities at risk of or experiencing harm from alcohol and/or drug use.

To facilitate support for individuals with co-morbid mental and/or physical health and substance use issues.
To continue to build links across the broader treatment sector including with primary health care providers and mental health services.

Description of Activity

Accredited drug and alcohol specialist service providers will continue to be contracted to deliver direct alcohol and drug treatment activity. Activities will be adjusted where necessary to ensure they align with identified priorities and respond to local needs. In scope treatment activities will be undertaken from a community-based facility or an outreach location as appropriate by suitably qualified and experienced employees.

Perth North PHN will continue to focus on the management of the performance of the contracted provider/s including reviewing, monitoring and evaluating service provision; taking into account the requirements of the Australian Government Department of Health, Disability and Ageing's PHN Program Performance and Quality Framework to determine how well targeted and efficient services are delivered; and taking into account the requirements of the National Treatment Framework and National Quality Framework for Alcohol and Other Drugs. Australian Government Department of Health, Disability and Ageing PHN Program Performance Quality Framework and National Quality framework for Alcohol and Other Drugs will guide this activity. Using the WA Primary Health Alliance Performance Management Framework (PMF), the PHN will measure and monitor provider's performance against specified PMF indicators relating to health equity, patient-reported experiences, patient-reported outcomes and service cost effectiveness.

This data will be used by the PHN to inform the overall evaluation and performance of services and any necessary actions that may be required.

Service providers are expected to work collaboratively with others in the region to help facilitate system integration and actively seek to engage with primary care to improve patient health outcomes.

Needs Assessment Priorities

Needs Assessment

WAPHA Needs Assessment 2025-2027

Priorities

Priority	Page reference
Enable timely access to specialist AOD treatment and support, particularly for people in under-served population groups (Metro).	37
Enable access to integrated and coordinated care for clients with a mental health condition and harmful alcohol and other drug use (Metro)	36



Activity Demographics

Target Population Cohort

Individuals, their families, and communities at risk or experiencing harm from alcohol and/or drug use.

Indigenous Specific

No

Coverage

Whole Region

Yes



Activity Consultation and Collaboration

Consultation

The PHN continues to engage with stakeholders to understand the complexities of service delivery, including gaps, priorities and changing needs within the community. The PHN supports the development of effective care pathways that work across the health spectrum to improve health outcomes. Stakeholders include peak bodies representing consumers, families, and carers; primary care; Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Services and Organisations; health, welfare, and community service providers; State government agencies and health service providers.

Collaboration

The PHN will continue to collaborate with the WA Mental Health Commission through its formal partnership arrangement to coordinate planning and commissioning of alcohol and other drug treatment services. The PHN will work closely with the WA Network of Alcohol and other Drug Agencies to support workforce development and quality improvement of the alcohol and other drug services sector.



Activity Milestone Details/Duration

Activity Start Date

30/06/2019

Activity End Date

29/06/2026

Other Relevant Milestones

12-month performance report and financial acquittal	Due 30/09/25, 30/09/26
6 monthly drug and alcohol commissioning report	Due 10/01/25, 10/07/25, 10/01/26, 10/07/26
Activity work plan review	Due 30/04/25, 30/04/26
Needs Assessment	Due 15/11/24, 15/11/25
Decommissioning request report - as required	
Final report	Due 30/09/26



Activity Commissioning

Please identify your intended procurement approach for commissioning services under this activity:

Not Yet Known: No

Continuing Service Provider / Contract Extension: Yes

Direct Engagement: No

Open Tender: No

Expression Of Interest (EOI): No

Other Approach (please provide details): No

Is this activity in scope for data collection under the Alcohol and Other Drug Treatment Services?

Yes



Activity Planned Expenditure

Funding Stream	FY 23 24	FY 24 25	FY 25 26	FY 26 27	FY 27 28	Total
Core Drug and Alcohol and Operational	\$787,294.21	\$791,085.45	\$832,054.22	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,410,433.88
Total	\$787,294.21	\$791,085.45	\$832,054.22	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,410,433.88

AOD 1200 - AOD Specialist Treatment in Areas of High Need (NIAS)



Activity Metadata

Applicable Schedule

Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services - Perth South

Activity Prefix

AOD

Activity Number

1200

Activity Title

AOD 1200 - AOD Specialist Treatment in Areas of High Need (NIAS)

Existing, Modified or New Activity

Existing



Activity Priorities and Description

Program Key Priority Area

Alcohol and Other Drugs

Aim of Activity

To increase the availability of evidence based, culturally appropriate drug and alcohol treatment services for individuals, their families and communities at risk or experiencing harm from alcohol and or drug use.
To facilitate support for individuals with co-morbid mental and/or physical health and substance use issues.
To continue to build links across the broader treatment sector including with primary health care providers and mental health services.

Description of Activity

To achieve program objectives, the following activities will take place:

- Accredited drug and alcohol specialist service providers will continue to be contracted to deliver direct alcohol and drug treatment activity.
- Activities will be adjusted where necessary to ensure they are in scope, align with local need, leverage other existing services, and avoid duplication.
- Treatment activities will focus on access, early intervention, supporting those with mild to moderate alcohol and or drug use, addressing co-morbid mental and physical health preventing relapse, and facilitating referrals for those requiring more enhanced treatment.
- Treatment will be undertaken by suitably qualified and experienced employees from a community-based facility, outreach location, or using technology (telephone or video conferencing) as appropriate.
- Service providers are expected to work collaboratively with other stakeholders in the region to facilitate effective referral pathways and integration and actively seek to improve engagement with primary care to improve health outcomes.

- The PHN will focus on the management of the performance of the contracted provider/s including reviewing, monitoring and evaluating service provision; taking into account the requirements of the Australian Government Department of Health, Disability and Ageing's PHN Program Performance and Quality Framework to determine how well targeted and efficient services are delivered; and taking into account the requirements of the national treatment framework and national quality framework for alcohol and other drugs.
- The PHN will continue to work towards achieving positive health outcomes through the delivery of quality, safe drug and alcohol treatment services. This includes the development of a consistent approach to the review, monitoring and evaluation of contracted providers performance. The requirements, principles and standards outlined in the National Quality Framework for Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drugs, PHN Program Performance Quality framework, and National Framework for Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drug Treatment will guide this activity.
- The PHN will utilise the WA Primary Health Alliance Performance Management Framework (PMF) to measure and track provider performance against specified PMF indicators, which include indicators relating to health equity, patient-reported experiences, patient-reported outcomes and service cost effectiveness. This data will be used by the PHN to evaluate the performance of services and inform any necessary actions.

Cross scheduled activities

The Assertive Outreach Service is cross-funded between this activity (AOD 1200) and with Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services Schedule AWP AOD-ATSI 1200 Specialist Treatment in Areas of high Need (Aboriginal) and Mental Health Schedule AWP MH 6000 - Indigenous Mental Health.

Needs Assessment Priorities

Needs Assessment

WAPHA Needs Assessment 2025-2027

Priorities

Priority	Page reference
Enable timely access to specialist AOD treatment and support, particularly for people in under-served population groups (Metro).	37
Enable access to integrated and coordinated care for clients with a mental health condition and harmful alcohol and other drug use (Metro)	36



Activity Demographics

Target Population Cohort

Individuals, their families and communities experiencing harm from alcohol and drug use.

Indigenous Specific

No

Coverage

Whole Region

Yes



Activity Consultation and Collaboration

Consultation

The PHN continues to engage with stakeholders to understand the complexities of service delivery, including gaps, priorities and changing needs within the community. The PHN supports the development of effective care pathways and works across the health spectrum to improve health outcomes. Stakeholders include peak bodies representing consumers, families and carers; primary care; Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Services and Organizations; health, welfare and community service providers; State government agencies and health service providers.

Collaboration

The PHN will continue to collaborate with the WA Mental Health Commission through its formal partnership arrangement to coordinate planning and commissioning of alcohol and other drug treatment services. The PHN will work closely with the WA Network of Alcohol and other Drug Agencies to support development and quality improvement of the alcohol and other drug services sector.



Activity Milestone Details/Duration

Activity Start Date

30/06/2019

Activity End Date

29/06/2026

Service Delivery Start Date

01/07/2019

Service Delivery End Date

30/06/2026

Other Relevant Milestones

12-month performance report and financial acquittals	Due 30/09/25, 30/09/26
6 monthly drug and alcohol commissioning report	Due 10/01/25, 10/07/25, 10/01/26, 10/07/26
AWP review	Due 30/04/25, 30/04/26
Needs Assessment	Due 15/11/24, 15/11/25
Decommissioning request report – as required	
Final report	Due 30/09/26



Activity Commissioning

Please identify your intended procurement approach for commissioning services under this activity:

Not Yet Known: No

Continuing Service Provider / Contract Extension: Yes

Direct Engagement: No

Open Tender: No

Expression Of Interest (EOI): No

Other Approach (please provide details): No

Has this activity previously been co-commissioned or joint-commissioned?

Yes

Decommissioning

No

Decommissioning details?

Is this activity in scope for data collection under the Alcohol and Other Drug Treatment Services?

Yes



Activity Planned Expenditure

Funding Stream	FY 23 24	FY 24 25	FY 25 26	FY 26 27	FY 27 28	Total
NIAS Operational and Mainstream	\$1,886,987.38	\$1,784,900.92	\$1,815,220.52	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,487,108.82
Total	\$1,886,987.38	\$1,784,900.92	\$1,815,220.52	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,487,108.82

AOD-ATSI 1200 - AOD Specialist Treatment in Areas of High Need (Aboriginal) (NIAS)



Activity Metadata

Applicable Schedule

Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services - Perth South

Activity Prefix

AOD

Activity Number

1200

Activity Title

AOD-ATSI 1200 - AOD Specialist Treatment in Areas of High Need (Aboriginal) (NIAS)

Existing, Modified or New Activity

Existing



Activity Priorities and Description

Program Key Priority Area

Alcohol and Other Drugs

Aim of Activity

Increase access to targeted and culturally appropriate approaches to alcohol and other drug treatment for Aboriginal people.

Description of Activity

To achieve program objectives, the following activities will take place:

- The Perth South PHN will continue to engage with suitably qualified, accredited and culturally competent service providers to increase access to targeted and culturally appropriate alcohol and other drug treatment for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.
- Treatment and support activities will be adjusted where necessary to ensure they are in scope, align with local need, leverage other existing services, and avoid duplication.
- Treatment activities will focus on early intervention for mild to moderate alcohol and or drug use, addressing co-morbid mental health and physical health, supporting families and significant others, preventing relapse and facilitating referrals for those that require more enhanced support.
- Treatment activity will be delivered from community-based facilities, outreach locations or by telephone, video conferencing, as appropriate.
- The PHN will promote, support and facilitate opportunities to improve the cultural competence and clinical safety of internal and commissioned services through continuous quality improvement. The Cultural Competency Framework and Aboriginal Cultural Capability Framework will inform practice and assist in identifying areas for further activity to improve the health outcomes for Aboriginal, CALD, LGBTQIA+ and other priority populations.

- The PHN will continue to focus on the management of the performance of the contracted provider/s including reviewing, monitoring and evaluating service provision; taking into account the requirements of the Australian Government Department of Health, Disability and Ageing's PHN Program Performance and Quality Framework to determine how well targeted and efficient services are delivered; and taking into account the requirements of the National Treatment Framework and National Quality Framework for Alcohol and other Drugs.
- The PHN will continue to work towards achieving positive health outcomes through the delivery of quality, safe drug and alcohol treatment services. This includes the development of a consistent approach to the review, monitoring and evaluation of contracted providers performance. The requirements, principles and standards outlined in the Australian Government Department of Health, Disability and Ageing PHN Program Performance Quality Framework and National Quality framework for Alcohol and Other Drugs will guide this activity.
- It will also be an incorporated requirement of the provider to complete all data reporting via the alcohol and other drug treatment services national minimum data set.
- Using the WA Primary Health Alliance Performance Management Framework (PMF), the PHN will measure and monitor providers' performance against specified PMF indicators, which include indicators relating to health equity, patient-reported experiences, patient-reported outcomes and service cost effectiveness. This data will be used by the PHN to inform the overall evaluation and performance of services and any necessary actions for improvement.
- Service providers are expected to work collaboratively with others in the region to help facilitate system integration and actively seek to improve engagement with primary care to improve patient health outcomes.

Needs Assessment Priorities

Needs Assessment

WAPHA Needs Assessment 2025-2027

Priorities

Priority	Page reference
Enable timely access to specialist AOD treatment and support, particularly for people in under-served population groups (Metro).	37
Enable access to culturally appropriate screening and treatment services for alcohol and other drugs (Metro).	45
Enable access to integrated and coordinated care for clients with a mental health condition and harmful alcohol and other drug use (Metro)	36



Activity Demographics

Target Population Cohort

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people within the PHN.

Indigenous Specific

Yes

Indigenous Specific Comments

As well as consumer and service provider feedback, the PHN continues to engage with Aboriginal community-controlled organisations, the state Aboriginal community-controlled organisation peak body and other key stakeholders including state government and health service providers.

Coverage

Whole Region

Yes



Activity Consultation and Collaboration

Consultation

The PHN continues to engage with stakeholders to understand the complexities of service delivery specific to the needs of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. The PHN will work with stakeholders to identify gaps priorities, changing needs and develop care pathways working across the care continuum to improve health outcomes. Stakeholders include peak bodies representing consumers, families and carers, primary health, welfare, community services, Aboriginal community-controlled health services, State government agencies and health service providers.

Collaboration

The PHN will continue to collaborate with the Aboriginal Health Council of WA and WA Mental Health Commission through formal partnership arrangements to coordinate planning and commissioning of culturally responsive alcohol and other drug treatment services for Aboriginal people. The PHN works closely with the WA Network of Alcohol and other Drug Agencies to support continuous quality improvement of the alcohol and other drug services sector including initiatives to improve cultural competence and capability.



Activity Milestone Details/Duration

Activity Start Date

30/06/2019

Activity End Date

29/06/2026

Service Delivery Start Date

01/07/2019

Service Delivery End Date

30/06/2026

Other Relevant Milestones

12-month performance report and financial acquittals	Due 30/09/25, 30/09/26
6 monthly drug and alcohol commissioning report	Due 10/01/25, 10/07/25, 10/01/26, 10/07/26
AWP review	Due 30/04/25, 30/04/26
Needs Assessment	Due 15/11/24, 15/11/25
Decommissioning request report – as required	
Final report	Due 30/09/26



Activity Commissioning

Please identify your intended procurement approach for commissioning services under this activity:

Not Yet Known: No

Continuing Service Provider / Contract Extension: Yes

Direct Engagement: No

Open Tender: No

Expression Of Interest (EOI): No

Other Approach (please provide details): No

Is this activity in scope for data collection under the Alcohol and Other Drug Treatment Services?

Yes



Activity Planned Expenditure

Funding Stream	FY 23 24	FY 24 25	FY 25 26	FY 26 27	FY 27 28	Total
NIAS Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People	\$368,091.29	\$565,326.00	\$554,227.70	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,487,644.99
Total	\$368,091.29	\$565,326.00	\$554,227.70	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,487,644.99

AOD-ATSI 2000 - AOD Workforce Development for Health Professionals (Aboriginal)



Activity Metadata

Applicable Schedule

Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services - Perth South

Activity Prefix

AOD

Activity Number

2000

Activity Title

AOD-ATSI 2000 - AOD Workforce Development for Health Professionals (Aboriginal)

Existing, Modified or New Activity

Existing



Activity Priorities and Description

Program Key Priority Area

Alcohol and Other Drugs

Aim of Activity

To increase the supply, skills, capability and confidence of the generalist and specialist health workforce to effectively recognize and respond to problematic alcohol and drug use among Aboriginal people.
Increasing the number of suitably accredited organizations.
Increasing the appropriateness of referrals to drug and alcohol specialist service providers.
Increasing the uptake of screening, brief intervention, and culturally appropriate management of Aboriginal people with alcohol and drug issues within a primary care setting.
Improving the cultural competence and capability of organisations delivering services to Aboriginal people.

Description of Activity

The Perth South PHN will promote and support the provision of evidence-informed and culturally secure education and training resources designed to support health care professionals to deliver culturally appropriate alcohol and drug treatment and support services for Aboriginal people.
Increasing awareness of available specialist treatment services and improving effectiveness of referral pathways by engaging with local experts, encouraging development of multi-disciplinary relationships, and promoting utilisation of Clinician Assist (Clinical and Referral Pathways), Practice Assist and MyHealthRecord.
Support education and training activities that reduce stigma and the discrimination of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who are experiencing harm from alcohol and other drug use.
The PHN encourages the engagement of consumers and significant others in service design and recognising problematic alcohol and drug use as a health issue and one that requires a holistic, person-centered response.
Facilitates opportunities to improve the cultural competence and clinical safety of services through continuous quality improvement and support to achieve appropriate accreditation.

Support initiatives to develop Aboriginal workers through professional training, leadership opportunities, mentorships and supervision.

The PHN will promote, support and facilitate opportunities to improve the cultural competence and clinical safety of internal and commissioned services through continuous quality improvement. The Cultural Competency Framework and Aboriginal Cultural Capability framework will inform practice and assist in identifying areas for further activity to improve the health outcomes for Aboriginal, CALD, LGBTQIA+ and other priority populations.

Needs Assessment Priorities

Needs Assessment

WAPHA Needs Assessment 2025-2027

Priorities

Priority	Page reference
Continuously improve the safety and quality of alcohol and other drugs (AOD) treatment and support services (Metro)	37
Support primary health care providers in managing drug and alcohol-related issues for Aboriginal people in a culturally safe way (Metro).	45
Increase the skills and capacity of primary health care and specialist Alcohol and Other Drug (AOD) workforce to respond effectively to current and emerging alcohol related harms.	36



Activity Demographics

Target Population Cohort

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who are experiencing harm from alcohol and/or drug use.

In Scope AOD Treatment Type

N/A this is a workforce development activity.

Indigenous Specific

Yes

Indigenous Specific Comments

As well as consumer and service provider feedback, the PHN continues to engage with Aboriginal community-controlled organisations, the state Aboriginal community-controlled organisation peak body and other key stakeholders including state government and health service providers.

Coverage

Whole Region

Yes



Activity Consultation and Collaboration

Consultation

The PHN engages with peak bodies, commissioned service providers, consumer/community representatives, subject matter experts, tertiary and vocational institutions, primary health care professionals and other key stakeholders to inform the planning, design, monitoring and review of workforce development activities.

Collaboration

The PHN works collaboratively with the WA Mental Health Commission, WA Network of Alcohol and other Drug Agencies, Aboriginal Health Council of WA, Royal Australian College of General Practitioners, Australian College of Rural and Remote Medicine and other key stakeholders in the planning, development, commissioning and delivery of activities to grow and support a primary health care workforce that is equipped to recognise and respond to alcohol and other drug use and related harm.



Activity Milestone Details/Duration

Activity Start Date

30/06/2019

Activity End Date

29/06/2026

Service Delivery Start Date

01/07/2019

Service Delivery End Date

30/06/2026

Other Relevant Milestones

12-month performance report and financial acquittals	Due 30/09/25, 30/09/26
6 monthly drug and alcohol commissioning report	Due 10/01/25, 10/07/25, 10/01/26, 10/07/26
AWP review	Due 30/04/25, 30/04/26
Needs Assessment	Due 15/11/24, 15/11/26
Decommissioning request report – as required	
Final report	Due 30/09/26



Activity Commissioning

Please identify your intended procurement approach for commissioning services under this activity:

Not Yet Known: No

Continuing Service Provider / Contract Extension: Yes

Direct Engagement: No

Open Tender: No

Expression Of Interest (EOI): No

Other Approach (please provide details): No

Is this activity being co-designed?

No

Is this activity the result of a previous co-design process?

No

Do you plan to implement this Activity using co-commissioning or joint-commissioning arrangements?

No

Has this activity previously been co-commissioned or joint-commissioned?

No

Decommissioning

No

Decommissioning details?

N/A

Co-design or co-commissioning comments

N/A

Is this activity in scope for data collection under the Alcohol and Other Drug Treatment Services?

No



Activity Planned Expenditure

Funding Stream	FY 23 24	FY 24 25	FY 25 26	FY 26 27	FY 27 28	Total
NIAS Operational and Mainstream	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

AOD-ATSI 2000 - AOD Workforce Development for Health Professionals



Activity Metadata

Applicable Schedule

Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services - Perth South

Activity Prefix

AOD

Activity Number

2000

Activity Title

AOD-ATSI 2000 - AOD Workforce Development for Health Professionals

Existing, Modified or New Activity

New Activity



Activity Priorities and Description

Program Key Priority Area

Alcohol and Other Drugs

Aim of Activity

To increase the skills, capability and efficacy of the generalist and specialist health workforce to recognise and respond to current and emerging Alcohol and other Drugs (AOD) related harms.

To facilitate access for commissioned service providers and general practice to education and training to improve the management of AOD issues in a primary care setting.

Description of Activity

The Perth South PHN will promote the use of evidence-informed and culturally safe education and training resources, designed to support health care professionals to deliver culturally appropriate alcohol and drug treatment and support services.

The Perth South PHN will support education and training activities that reduce stigma and discrimination of people who experience harm from alcohol and other drug use.

Workforce development initiatives will:

- Be targeted to specialist AOD providers, general practice, and the primary care workforce.
- Reflect the principles of person-centred primary health care.
- Embed lived experience leadership.
- Promote care that is free from stigma, discrimination, or judgement.
- Be evidence informed.
- Promote cultural security.

Focus areas of workforce development will include (but are not limited to):

- Developing core AOD workforce competencies for service delivery.
- Assisting health professionals to understand issues that underly substance use, including intersectionality.

- Helping General Practitioners (GPs) to develop effective approaches to engaging with, treating and supporting people presenting with AOD issues.
- Integrating AOD into routine general practice.

Workforce development initiatives will be commissioned/delivered via different modalities, as relevant and appropriate to specific identified locations. This includes face-to-face or virtual delivery, and varying methods to suit local needs.

Needs Assessment Priorities

Needs Assessment

WAPHA Needs Assessment 2025-2027

Priorities

Priority	Page reference
Increase the skills and capacity of primary health care and specialist Alcohol and Other Drug (AOD) workforce to respond effectively to current and emerging alcohol related harms.	36



Activity Demographics

Target Population Cohort

This activity targets primary health professionals and specialists to enhance their capability to deliver appropriate services to the broader target cohort: Individuals, their families/significant others and communities experiencing harm from alcohol and/or drug use.

Indigenous Specific

No

Coverage

Whole Region

Yes



Activity Consultation and Collaboration

Consultation

During 2024-25, WA Primary Health Alliance undertook a review of current AOD commissioning activities and engaged in a redesign process with key stakeholders to inform future commissioning. This included a dedicated focus on workforce development. The Perth South PHN engaged with peak bodies (including WA Network of Alcohol and other Drug Agencies, AOD Consumer and Carer Coalition, Aboriginal Health Council of WA and the Royal College of General Practitioners), general practitioners, people with lived experience of AOD issues and the WA Mental Health Commission, via a series of meetings and/or face to face workshops held in January and February 2025, to ensure the PHN AOD program is effective, inclusive, and responsive to community needs.

The Perth South PHN engages with peak bodies, commissioned service providers, consumer/community representatives, subject matter experts, tertiary and vocational institutions, primary health care professionals and other key stakeholders to inform the planning, design, monitoring and review of workforce development activities.

Collaboration

The Perth South PHN will continue to collaborate with the WA Mental Health Commission through its formal partnership arrangement to coordinate planning and commissioning of alcohol and other drug treatment services, and associated workforce development initiatives.

The Perth South PHN also works collaboratively with the WA Network of Alcohol and other Drug Agencies, Aboriginal Health Council of WA, Royal Australian College of General Practitioners, Australian College of Rural and Remote Medicine and other key stakeholders in the planning, development, commissioning and delivery of activities to grow and support a primary health care workforce that is equipped to recognise and respond to alcohol and other drug use and related harm.



Activity Milestone Details/Duration

Activity Start Date

30/06/2019

Activity End Date

29/06/2026

Other Relevant Milestones

Activity Work Plan and Budget	16/7/25, 30/4/26
Needs Assessment	15/11/25
Twelve-month performance report	30/9/25, 30/9/26
Financial acquittal report	30/9/25, 30/9/26
Final Report	Due 30/9/26



Activity Commissioning

Please identify your intended procurement approach for commissioning services under this activity:

Not Yet Known: No

Continuing Service Provider / Contract Extension: Yes

Direct Engagement: No

Open Tender: No

Expression Of Interest (EOI): No

Other Approach (please provide details): No

Is this activity in scope for data collection under the Alcohol and Other Drug Treatment Services?

No



Activity Planned Expenditure

Funding Stream	FY 23 24	FY 24 25	FY 25 26	FY 26 27	FY 27 28	Total
NIAS Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People	\$390,684.07	\$32,592.22	\$20,284.94	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$443,561.23
NIAS Operational and Mainstream	\$0.00	\$13,119.75	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$18,119.75
Total	\$390,684.07	\$45,711.97	\$25,284.94	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$461,680.98

AOD-Op 1000 - Operational



Activity Metadata

Applicable Schedule

Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services - Perth South

Activity Prefix

AOD-Op

Activity Number

1000

Activity Title

AOD-Op 1000 - Operational

Existing, Modified or New Activity

Existing



Activity Planned Expenditure

Funding Stream	FY 23 24	FY 24 25	FY 25 26	FY 26 27	FY 27 28	Total
Drug & Alcohol - Operational	\$268,457.11	\$161,048.99	\$263,349.11	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$692,855.21
Total	\$268,457.11	\$161,048.99	\$263,349.11	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$692,855.21