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[ANCD Consultation on Drug and Alcohol Issues - Hobart](#)

Dr John Herron, Chairman of the Australian National Council on Drugs (ANCD) extends an invitation to people working within the alcohol and other drugs sector to attend a Consultation on Drug and Alcohol Issues in Hobart on Tuesday 29 October 2013 9:00 am - 10.30am. (Arrival tea and coffee

from 8.30am, morning tea provided at 10.30am).

To be held at the Grand Chancellor Hotel, 1 Davey Street, Hobart.

The ANCD are seeking views from non-government, community based, government, education, health and law enforcement staff on alcohol and other drug issues in Tasmania.

This is your chance to have your voice heard on issues that are important to you, your organisation and your community. The forum aims to be a collage of opinions, ideas and resolutions across a range of areas.

The conclusions from the forum will be reported in the ANCD communiqué which is sent to a number of key decision makers and stakeholders and placed on the ANCD website.

The ANCD is the principal advisory body to Government on drug policy and plays a critical role in ensuring the voice of the community is heard in relation to drug related policies and strategies.

RSVP by Friday 18 October 2013

Tel: (02) 6166 9600 **Fax:** (02) 6162 2611 **Email:** ancd@ancd.org.au

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Tasmanian Leaders Program

Applications for the 2014 Tasmanian Leaders Program close at 12.00 noon on 1 October 2013.

Don't miss your opportunity to be part of this unique life changing experience for established and aspiring leaders.

To find out how to apply please visit the [website](#) or phone 03 6336 2843.

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Workforce Development

NCETA Invites Written Submissions for National Strategy

The National Centre for Education and Training on Addiction (NCETA) invites written submissions from interested parties to inform the National Alcohol and other Drug Workforce Development Strategy. The Strategy is being developed at the request of the Intergovernmental Committee on Drugs and the project is being managed by the Northern Territory Department of Health.

The Strategy is due for completion in mid-2014 and will address the needs of:

- Workers in treatment, prevention, health promotion and community services including alcohol and other drug specialists, needle and syringe program workers and peer workers
- Police, emergency medical services, paramedics, correctional officers and Indigenous law enforcement workers
- The mental health workforce
- The broader health and medical workforce, including general practitioners and other primary health care workers and hospital workers
- Indigenous health workers
- Culturally and linguistically diverse health and community service workers
- Pharmacists and the pharmacy workforce
- The education sector
- Community and support services, including workers from the welfare, homelessness, unemployment, income support, youth, child protection and disability sectors.

Submissions must be made on the documentation available from the NCETA website.

nceta.flinders.edu.au

The documentation consists of a Submission Package and Discussion Paper. The Submission Package contains a series of questions which address issues raised in the Discussion Paper.

The Discussion Paper was developed from a broader Literature Review, a copy of which can be accessed from the NCETA website. Hard copies of the three documents are also available on request from NCETA by phone on 08 8201 7535 or email nceta@flinders.edu.au

Telephone enquiries can be made to Ann Roche, Roger Nicholas or Allan Trifonoff on 08 82017535.

Closing date for submissions is Friday November 29, 2013

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Upcoming Training, Events & Conferences

Seriously Smashed: A web based resource for youth workers

seriouslysmashed.com.au is a resource developed by the Glenorchy City Council, with funding from the National Binge Drinking Strategy, to educate young people about the harms of binge drinking and promote a change in this damaging culture.

This workshop, with Geoff Munro from the Australian Drug Foundation, is suitable for those who work with young people with alcohol abuse issues and will enable you to:

- Learn more about best practice and the existing research about education of young people in respect of alcohol
- Increase your awareness of all aspects of the resource
- Develop a range of best practice approaches to using components of the resource in your work with young people
- Increase your capacity to work with young people to increase their awareness of choice and consequence

Launceston: 21 October 2013, 1:30pm - 5:00pm

Burnie: 22 October 2013, 9:00am - 12:30pm

Glenorchy: 23rd October 2013, 9:00am - 12:30pm

Cost: free

For more information: [click here](#)

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Relapse Prevention with Dr Anna Dimsey

This nationally recognised training and assessment is conducted in conjunction with TasTAFE and will build skills in preventing relapse in ATOD clients.

Who: Those who work with ATOD clients

Where:

Hobart 7 November 2013 9:00am - 4:30pm

Devonport 31 October 2013 9:00am - 4:30pm

Cost: \$43.10 (payable to TasTAFE upon receipt of invoice)

About the trainer

Dr Anna Dimsey completed a Doctor of Psychology (Clinical) and has been working as a clinical psychologist for the past 10 years. She has worked predominately in the field of addictive disorders, with most of this time spent working in the AOD sector.

This training is funded by the Skills Fund and covers the skills and knowledge defined in the nationally recognised unit of competence CHCAOD513A: *Provide Relapse Prevention Strategies*.

For more information and to register [click here](#).

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Beyond the Tip of the Iceberg

How ice works in the brain and body and how that impacts on treatment outcomes.

This practical workshop will increase your skill in understanding what works in treatment of Ice users

VENUES:

Devonport Entertainment & Convention Centre, 145 - 151 Rooke St Devonport
Wednesday, 4 December 2013, 9.00 AM - 4.30 PM

The Salvation Army Bridge Program, 63 Creek Road, New Town
Friday, 6 December 2013, 9.00 A - 4.30 PM

CONTACT DETAILS: Penny Glover penny.glover@aus.salvationarmy.org

To register [click here](#)

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SAVE THE DATE - Tasmanian Disability Support Workers Conference

NDS in conjunction with DisabilityCare Australia and DHHS is pleased to be hosting the 2013 Tasmanian Disability Support Workers Conference on the 11-12 November at the Hotel Grand Chancellor in Hobart. We would like to extend an invitation to all community sector workers who may benefit from attending this conference.

Registrations open soon, Program and further details to follow.

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UTAS to add polish to media and communication skills

Media and communications will be at the forefront this Spring with two new units being offered by the University of Tasmania's Journalism, Media and Communications Program.

Communication and Professional Writing is a new, innovative, mainly online course which aims to hone students' writing, presentation and media awareness skills to make them confident and competent communicators in professional contexts.

The unit guides students through the contemporary digital landscape and audiences, and offers the skills needed to create a range of communications products.

Participants will learn to pitch and write for print and electronic media, craft corporate and not-for-profit messages, gain an insight into visual communication, and use social media platforms as promotional tool

The face-to-face component, which can be taken via video-link, includes a mini-conference where students will demonstrate their new communication skills in professional presentations.

This course would suit people working for not-for-profit organisations and business or government wanting to improve their understanding of the news media and develop skills in interviewing and media writing.

The unit will be taught through a combination of intensive face-to-face sessions and online learning activities.

Students will have the opportunity to work with both UTAS journalism staff and industry experts.

For further information contact the School of Social Sciences at UTAS on (03) 6226 2331, email

Social.Sciences@utas.edu.au or visit: **www.utas.edu.au/summer/arts**

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Western Australian Drug and Alcohol 2014 Symposium

23-25 June 2014 - Esplanade Hotel Fremantle by Rydges **www.aod2014.com.au**

Call for Abstracts

On behalf of the Symposium Organising Committee you are invited to submit an abstract for presentation at the 2014 Western Australian Drug and Alcohol Symposium - The Road Ahead: Challenges, Change and Consolidation.

The Drug and Alcohol Office is hosting this Symposium in collaboration with the Western Australian Network of Alcohol and other Drug Agencies (WANADA), Healthway, WA Police, University of Western Australia, Edith Cowan University, Notre Dame University, Curtin University and the National Drug Research Institute.

This Symposium will bring together international, national and local speakers to present evidence-based research in policy, prevention, harm reduction, law enforcement strategies and treatment including pharmacotherapies.

Abstract submissions close Friday 8 November 2013, 5.00pm WST.

Abstracts must be submitted online via the Symposium website **www.aod2014.com.au**, or by **[clicking here](#)**.

Before you prepare your abstract, please read the abstract submission guidelines on the "Call for Abstracts" page on the website.

For any enquiries, please contact the Symposium Secretariat

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APSAD Conference - last chance for discounted early bird!

APSAD Conference - Don't miss out! Register by Friday 20 September 2013 to ensure you receive the discounted early bird registration rates. Visit the conference website at

www.apsadconference.com.au/registration for registration details.

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HR Leadership Conference 1 November 2013, Hobart

The speaker program for this conference will give HR leaders strategic ideas and innovative processes that connect global thinking to a local business context.

Discounts available for not for profits - individual \$365

For more information: <http://www.ahri.com.au/hrleadershipconference/hobart/home>

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Domestic Violence Response Training and Assessment

A two-day face-to-face workshop. Training details will be sent to enrolled participants after registration.

Devonport: 10 - 11 October 2013

Launceston: 27 - 28 February 2014

Hobart: 20 - 21 March 2014

Cost: free; travel, accommodation and backfill costs will also be covered.

Workshop participants who complete the course will receive a recognised Statement of Attainment for the unit CHCDFV301A - *Recognise and Respond Appropriately to Domestic & Family Violence*.

For more information dvalert@lifeline.org.au or call 02 6215 9418

Participants may register online at www.dvalert.org.au

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'Child Aware Supervision' eLearning course

The 'Child Aware Supervision' eLearning course trains supervisors in strategies that promote child and family-sensitive practice.

Who is it for?

Supervisors and managers of frontline staff in adult-focussed health and social services (e.g. mental health, drug and alcohol, domestic violence, housing etc.).

Why take the course?

- It's designed specifically to support supervisors
- It's interactive, practical and engaging - including video demonstrations of supervision applied in different service settings
- It includes links to practical resources
- **It's FREE**
- You can even view all content on your iPad!

Access now

Register as a new eLearning user: <http://elearning.copmi.net.au/masterBlock/new>

OR

Login to the eLearning system with your existing passwords:

<http://elearning.copmi.net.au/masterBlock/login>

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The transformative power of Yoga - supporting the release and healing of trauma

Who: For Human Service Workers in all aspects of health, mental health, education, child protection, youth work, migrant/refugee support, sexual assault, crisis/residential support, veterans affairs, residential support, etc.

Where: Mathers House, 108 Bathurst St, Hobart.

When: Monday, 11 November 2013, 1 - 5pm, \$80 (afternoon tea provided) - closing date Thursday 31 October 2013.

More details: click [here](#) or email romeolynn@yahoo.com.au

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Did You See That Report?

August Update

'*Did you see that report?*' is a monthly listing of recently released Australian reports, research and other items of interest to the AOD sector which are available online. This is a service provided by the Alcohol and other Drugs Council of Australia (ADCA).

To view August reports you may have missed please [click here](#) to go to the reports.



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