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ATDC Update January 2015

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## ATDC Update January 2015

### Time to Test

There have been recent developments in HIV testing in Tasmania and TasCHARD will be holding a forum with an opportunity for discussion and the chance to collect health promotion material.

HIV testing in Tasmania has changed. And so has our response to the virus.



A forum for anyone who works with HIV key affected populations about recent developments in HIV testing.

**Speakers:**

El Thompson, Clinical Nurse Consultant  
Tasmanian Sexual Health Service

Christian Vega, Health Promotion Coordinator  
Tasmanian Council on AIDS, Hepatitis & Related Diseases

There will be an opportunity for discussion and to collect health promotion material.

Wednesday 28th of January, 2:30pm - 3:30pm. 319 Liverpool St, Hobart

Please RSVP by calling 03 6234 1242 or emailing [cvega@tascahrd.org.au](mailto:cvega@tascahrd.org.au)

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"Putting off testing was my way of denying what I'd been up to - now I know it helps me take charge."



You can also [view the poster in your browser](#).

### Rethink Mental Health Project

Rethink Mental Health is a statewide review of the Tasmanian mental health system. This is a fantastic opportunity for carers to have a say about the future of mental health services in Tasmania.

[View](#) the flyer for details on about how you can be involved in the Mental Health Project Carer

Consultations.

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## 2015 Australian Winter School Conference - Lives Lived Well

Lives Lived Well is looking for conference speakers and workshops to inspire delegates and introduce them to new ideas and ways of thinking and working. A full list of abstract topics, guidelines and templates can be found at the [conference website](#). Deadline for abstracts is Friday, 6 February 2015.

Unleash Potential is the exciting theme of the 2015 Australian Winter School conference. The focus is on broadening experiences, challenging responses, adopting new perspectives and turning ideas into action. Visit the [website](#) to find out more on how to submit your abstracts.

For more information contact conference organisers at [aws@liveslivedwell.org.au](mailto:aws@liveslivedwell.org.au) or call Sharon Broadley on 07 3834 0204.

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## 2014 National Alcohol Policy Scorecard

The results of the 2014 National Alcohol Policy Scorecard were released in early January. **The main highlights were:**

- ACT is recognised as the leading Australian jurisdiction in alcohol policy in 2014.
- NSW is recognised as the 'most improved' jurisdiction in alcohol policy in 2014.
- The Australian Government has received the "Fizzers" trophy for the poorest performance overall in alcohol policy in 2014.

Tasmania is not holding its ground, despite this issue being a priority for the state. A full copy of the report can be downloaded [here](#)

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## POSITION VACANT - School Drug Education and Health Promotion Officer

Youth, Family & Community Connections Inc. is a North-West based Not-For-Profit Community Organisation that facilitates a range of services designed to support and assist youth, families and individuals to develop knowledge and skills to enable them to participate within the community.

We are seeking applications from suitably qualified individuals for the position of School Drug Education and Health Promotion Officer. This position will be based in Burnie and work across the North-West and West Coasts of Tasmania.

Further information about the position can be obtained by contacting the Team Leader, Frank Lyons on 0418 170 517 or [Frank@yfcc.com.au](mailto:Frank@yfcc.com.au). A position description can be obtained by emailing Anne Heath at [Anne@yfcc.com.au](mailto:Anne@yfcc.com.au) or phone 0418 238 532.

Applications will be accepted up until 5pm on Friday 30 January 2015. Forward your completed application to [Anne@yfcc.com.au](mailto:Anne@yfcc.com.au) or:

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## ISSTD First ANZ Regional Conference

The International Society for the the Study of Trauma and Dissociation presents their first ANZ Regional Conference on Broken Structures, Broken Selves: Complex Trauma in the 21st Century. The conference will be held in November in Sydney. Further details can be found [here](#).

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