

Northern Territory - Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services 2023/24 - 2026/27 Activity Summary View



AOD - 1 - AOD 1: Cross Sector collaboration, workforce development and commissioning treatment services



Activity Metadata

Applicable Schedule *

Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services

Activity Prefix *

AOD

Activity Number *

1

Activity Title *

AOD 1: Cross Sector collaboration, workforce development and commissioning treatment services

Existing, Modified or New Activity *

Modified



Activity Priorities and Description

Program Key Priority Area *

Alcohol and Other Drugs

Other Program Key Priority Area Description

Aim of Activity *

This activity aims to have a whole of sector approach to capacity building and service delivery for AOD misuse. The NT requires intersectoral, culturally appropriate, and evidence-based approaches to managing and treating the harmful effects of AOD misuse. Furthermore, this activity supports AOD workforce access to ongoing development support to enhance skills and create a sustainable and effective workforce for service delivery.

Description of Activity *

NT PHN works alongside NT Government Department of Health and other funding bodies to promote a collaborative planning and a co-commissioning approach to the distribution of funding and equality of access to AOD services within the regions of the NT. NT PHN has ongoing involvement in several sector-wide advisory groups to promote and develop better networking and sector

collaborations.

This activity supports a focus on strengthening collaboration both cross sectoral and regionally to enable better coordination of services relevant to the AOD treatment sector. NT PHN works in partnership with regional stakeholders, the AOD peak body (the Association of Alcohol and Drug Agencies NT) and AMSANT (Aboriginal Medical Service Alliance NT).

This activity enables NT PHN to commission AOD treatment services throughout the NT. The AOD NGO sector in the NT is characterised by a high number of residential treatment units and a limited number of outpatient counselling services. NT PHN commissions a range of services along this harm reduction continuum.

The types of treatment services commissioned by NT PHN are inclusive of the following:

- Counselling services
- Withdrawal management and Residential Rehabilitation
- Case Management and Aftercare support

* Harm Reduction

NT PHN references the NT AOD Workforce Development Framework to guide activities that will develop the skills of those working across the AOD sector. NT PHN works in partnership with the AOD Peak Body and other relevant stakeholders to operationalise the framework. The broad focus of this activity is to create a sustainable and highly skilled AOD workforce in the NT.

This activity will also:

- Commission and participate in research and evaluation that contributes to an improved evidence base and enhanced understanding of best practice in drug and alcohol treatment services for the NT.
- Promote continuous quality improvement and support primary health professionals through AOD education and training.

* Develop a AOD Outcome Framework and work with providers to embed within the commissioned services

Workforce access, capacity and capability are critical areas of need to support the delivery of commissioned programs by NT PHN. Where required this activity could include workforce development initiatives to improve access, quality and sustainability of services to the communities in the Northern Territory.

Needs Assessment Priorities *

Needs Assessment

NT PHN Needs Assessment 2021/22-2023/24_November 2021

Priorities

Priority	Page reference
AOD - Health promotion and prevention in relation to health behaviors/lifestyle factors including alcohol, tobacco & other drugs misuse, alcohol misuse & pregnancy, healthy diet & active lifestyle	33
AOD - Access to a range of drug & alcohol treatment services across the spectrum of treatment options relative to need including early intervention, counselling, specialist & residential services	33
AOD - Recruitment, retention, and professional development for ATOD workforce	34



Activity Demographics

Target Population Cohort

Anyone in the Northern Territory requiring support with drug or alcohol misuse.

In Scope AOD Treatment Type *

Early intervention including screening and brief intervention, harm reduction, counselling, residential rehabilitation, day stay rehabilitation, case management, care planning and coordination

Indigenous Specific *

Yes

Indigenous Specific Comments

Most services in the NT service a high proportion of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people therefore a component of the activity will be specifically designed to address needs of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

Coverage

Whole Region

Yes



Activity Consultation and Collaboration

Consultation

NT PHN liaises regularly with the Association of Alcohol and Other Drug Agencies NT (AADANT) to understand sector needs and keep abreast of policy changes.

Collaboration

NT PHN work collaboratively with AADANT to identify and facilitate delivery of sector specific training opportunities to service providers. NT PHN also works closely with NT Health to reduce duplication and identify opportunities for strategic allocation of resources.



Activity Milestone Details/Duration

Activity Start Date

30/06/2019

Activity End Date

29/06/2026

Service Delivery Start Date

Service Delivery End Date

Other Relevant Milestones

AOD Outcome Framework to be completed by 30 June 2025

Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services Maintenance (DATSM) funding finishes 30 June 2025, which potentially will impact services being delivered across the sector.



Activity Commissioning

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

Not Yet Known: No

Continuing Service Provider / Contract Extension: No

Direct Engagement: No

Open Tender: No

Expression Of Interest (EOI): Yes

Other Approach (please provide details): No

Is this activity being co-designed?

Yes

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?

Yes

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

No

Decommissioning

No

Decommissioning details?

Co-design or co-commissioning comments

Northern Territory Aboriginal Health Forum (NTAHF) – This forum is a peak-level partnership that provides strategic guidance and makes decisions about key policy issues to improve Aboriginal health and wellbeing. NT PHN is a member of this forum, and it is through this channel that key organisations including Commonwealth Department of Health come together to plan and coordinate programs and activities. Additionally Aboriginal Medical Services Alliance NT (AMSANT), Association of Alcohol and other Drug Agencies NT (ADDANT) and Northern Territory Health MHAOD Branch and key partners that are involved in decision making and commission of services to ensure there is no duplication and areas of highest need are addressed.

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

Yes



AOD - 4 - AOD4: DAT services for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people delivered through a SEWB model



Activity Metadata

Applicable Schedule *

Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services

Activity Prefix *

AOD

Activity Number *

4

Activity Title *

AOD4: DAT services for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people delivered through a SEWB model

Existing, Modified or New Activity *

Modified



Activity Priorities and Description

Program Key Priority Area *

Alcohol and Other Drugs

Other Program Key Priority Area Description**Aim of Activity ***

This activity aims to: commission services that are informed by the National Social and Emotional Wellbeing (SEWB) Framework and are culturally appropriate for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and their communities who are affected by substance misuse or who are seeking support for substance misuse.

Description of Activity *

This activity involves commissioning the delivery of drug and alcohol treatment services through a SEWB model to support region specific, intersectoral and integrated approaches to drug and alcohol treatment services delivered through Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Services and Northern Territory Government Department of Health.

Through a collaborative co-design process at the NT Aboriginal Health Forum (NTAHF), SEWB was identified as an appropriate framework through which to deliver drug and alcohol treatment and mental health services for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the NT.

The SEWB model commissioned by NT PHN includes:

- Therapeutic Stream (Counselling, Case Management, Aftercare)
- Social/Cultural (Screening, Brief Intervention)

Workforce access, capacity and capability are critical areas of need to support the delivery of commissioned programs by NT PHN. Where required this activity could include workforce development initiatives to improve access, quality and sustainability of services to the communities in the Northern Territory.

Needs Assessment Priorities *

Needs Assessment

NT PHN Needs Assessment 2021/22-2023/24_November 2021

Priorities

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Activity Demographics

Target Population Cohort

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the NT

In Scope AOD Treatment Type *

AOD assessment, screening and brief interventions

Indigenous Specific *

Yes

Indigenous Specific Comments

Coverage

Whole Region

Yes

SA3 Name	SA3 Code
Daly - Tiwi - West Arnhem	70203
East Arnhem	70204
Palmerston	70104
Litchfield	70103
Katherine	70205
Darwin City	70101
Alice Springs	70201
Darwin Suburbs	70102
Barkly	70202



Activity Consultation and Collaboration

Consultation

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Collaboration

Aboriginal Medical Services Alliance NT (AMSANT) provides SEWB workforce support and trauma-informed care training to NT PHN commissioned SEWB providers. NT PHN collaborates regularly with AMSANT to ensure that the workforce support provision is fit for purpose and supports community needs.



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Other Relevant Milestones



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Continuing Service Provider / Contract Extension: Yes

Direct Engagement: No

Open Tender: No

Expression Of Interest (EOI): Yes

Other Approach (please provide details): No

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Yes

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

Yes

Decommissioning

No

Decommissioning details?

Co-design or co-commissioning comments

A co-design process was undertaken at the commencement of this program in 2016. This process involved representatives from the NT Aboriginal Community-Controlled Health Services (ACCHS) sector, Top End Health Service, NT Department of Health (NT Health), National Indigenous Australians Agency (NIAA) and the Australian Government Department of Health. These agencies continue to have involvement in planning and commissioning of AOD services to ensure there is no duplication and area of highest needs are met.

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

Yes



AOD-Op - 1 - AOD-Op 1: AOD Operational



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AOD-Op 1: AOD Operational

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Activity Priorities and Description

Program Key Priority Area *

Other Program Key Priority Area Description

Aim of Activity *

Description of Activity *

Needs Assessment Priorities *

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Priorities



Activity Demographics

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Indigenous Specific *

Indigenous Specific Comments

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Activity Consultation and Collaboration

Consultation

Collaboration



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Co-design or co-commissioning comments