

## ACT AOD Sector Project eBulletin: Drug Action Week

### 21 - 27 June 2009

Drug Action Week is a week of activities held nationally to raise awareness about alcohol and other drugs (AOD) issues in Australia, and is an initiative of the Alcohol and Other Drugs Council of Australia (ADCA). Visit [www.drugactionweek.org.au](http://www.drugactionweek.org.au) for more information about Drug Action Week 2009 nationally.

The ACT AOD Sector Project coordinates Drug Action Week in the ACT through the ACT Drug Action Week Planning Group. For more information on Drug Action Week in the ACT download the [ACT Drug Action Week 2009 Calendar of Events](#) or visit [www.aodsector.org.au](http://www.aodsector.org.au).

This eBulletin is a special edition of the monthly ACT AOD Sector eBulletin which contains a concise summary of information, important developments, publications, events and other information relevant to AOD Workers in the ACT. To subscribe to the monthly ACT AOD Sector eBulletin visit [www.aodsector.org.au/public/activities/ebulletin.htm](http://www.aodsector.org.au/public/activities/ebulletin.htm)

The eBulletin is an initiative of the ACT AOD Sector Project which is auspiced by the Youth Coalition of the ACT. The Project aims to build the capacity and identity of the ACT AOD sector, foster intra and cross-sectoral relationships, and improve outcomes while maintaining respect for the diversity of services and for people who are affected by AOD. For more information visit [www.aodsector.org.au](http://www.aodsector.org.au) or contact the ACT AOD Sector Project Team on [info@aodsector.org.au](mailto:info@aodsector.org.au) or (02) 6247 3540.

#### Pre Drug Action Week

#### Monday 15 June:

##### **National Drug Action Week Launch**

*Alcohol and other Drugs Council of Australia (ADCA)*

*Time:* 10am

*Venue:* Canberra Boys Grammar School, Monaro Crescent, Red Hill

*Contact:* Sophie Turnbull

*Phone:* (02) 6215 9808

*Email:* [info@drugactionweek.org.au](mailto:info@drugactionweek.org.au)

#### Wednesday 17 June:

##### **Comorbidity Bus Tour B (Fully Booked)**

*Youth Coalition of the ACT*

Provides workers with an opportunity to gain insight into, and build networks with, alcohol and other drug, mental health, youth and community agencies in the ACT. Registration essential.

*Time:* 8.15am - 5pm

*Venue:* Various alcohol and other drug, mental health and community agencies.

*Contact:* Katrina Campion

*Phone:* (02) 6247 3540

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## **Prison Health is Public Health: Hepatitis C, prisoners and our community**

*ACT Hepatitis Resource Centre*

Mr Michael Moore, CEO, Public Health Association of Australia will be the guest speaker, followed by question time for a distinguished panel including:

- Annie Madden, EO, AIVL
- Nicole Wiggins, Manager, CAHMA
- Michael Levy, Medical Director, Corrections Health
- John Van den Dungen, Indigenous Project Officer, AIVL
- Brian Dunne, Senior Manager, Community Based Corrections

RSVP Essential.

*Time:* 12.30pm - 1.30pm

*Venue:* Reception Room, South Building, ACT Legislative Assembly, London Circuit, Canberra City

*Contact:* Narelle Wright

*Phone:* (02) 6282 2611

*Flyer:* Download the [Prison Health is Public Health flyer](#)

### **Thursday 18 June:**

#### **Youth Coalition Monthly Forum**

*Youth Coalition of the ACT*

A guest speaker will present findings from the Alcohol and Other Drug Education & Young People Project.

*Time:* 9am - 11am

*Venue:* Youth Coalition of the ACT, 46 Clianthus St. O'Connor

*Contact:* Kat

*Phone:* (02) 6247 3540

*Email:* [kat@youthcoalition.net](mailto:kat@youthcoalition.net)

### **Friday 19 June:**

#### **Launch of Drug Action Week in the ACT**

*ACT Alcohol and Other Drug Sector Project*

Katy Gallagher, MLA, Deputy Chief Minister, Minister for Health will be launching Drug Action Week in the ACT. David Batts from the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare will present findings from the 2007 National Drug Strategy Household Survey. AOD services will have information stalls and a light lunch will be provided. RSVP essential.

*Time:* 10am - 12pm

*Venue:* Exhibition Room, ACT Legislative Assembly, Civic Square, London Circuit, Canberra City

*Contact:* Ben Frommel

*Phone:* (02) 6247 3540

Email: [daw@aodsector.org.au](mailto:daw@aodsector.org.au)

Flyer: Download the [Launch of Drug Action Week in the ACT flyer](#)

## Monday 22 June

### Information Stall

*Canberra Alliance for Harm Minimisation and Advocacy (CAHMA)*

An information stall to distribute literature on drugs, their effects, treatment options and harm reduction advice.

*Time:* 12.30pm

*Venue:* Garema Place, Canberra City

*Contact:* Joanne Rankin

*Phone:* (02) 6279 1670

*Email:* [joanner@cahma.org.au](mailto:joanner@cahma.org.au)

### Alcohol and Other Drug Information Stall

*Alcohol and Drug Program (ADP), ACT Health*

Stall providing information and resources on alcohol and other drugs, treatment options and services.

*Time:* All day

*Venue:* Belconnen Westfield Shopping Centre, Benjamin Way, Belconnen

*Contact:* Kate Gardner

*Phone:* (02) 6205 8381

*Email:* [kate.gardner@act.gov.au](mailto:kate.gardner@act.gov.au)

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### Alcohol is a Drug - TOO! Discussion Group

*ACT Hepatitis Resource Centre*

Information and discussion group with participants of the Canberra Recovery Services Program (not open to the public).

*Time:* TBC

*Venue:* Canberra Recovery Services

*Contact:* Narelle Wright

*Phone:* (02) 6282 2611

*Email:* [prevention@hepatitisresourcecentre.com.au](mailto:prevention@hepatitisresourcecentre.com.au)

## Tuesday 23 June

**Breakfast**

*ACT Division of General Practice*

Dr Debra Rickwood, University of Canberra and headspace ACT, will be speaking on alcohol use, comorbidity and headspace ACT. Event is primarily for GP's and allied health; however, several places will be available to invited NGO's.

*Time:* 7.30am - 9am

*Venue:* The Boat House, Grevillea Park, Minindee Drive, Barton

*Contact:* Rosemary Agnew

*Phone:* (02) 6287 8099

*Email:* [r.agnew@actdgp.asn.au](mailto:r.agnew@actdgp.asn.au)

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**headspace ACT open morning**

*headspace ACT*

Everyone is welcome for a tour, cuppa and chat.

*Time:* 10am - 1pm

*Venue:* headspace ACT, Room 12B40, University of Canberra

*Contact:* Margy Wylde-Browne

*Phone:* (02) 6201 2110

*Email:* [headspaceact@canberra.edu.au](mailto:headspaceact@canberra.edu.au)

**Family and Parent Forum**

*headspace ACT*

Issues and assistance for young people with emerging mental health and / or substance use concerns.

*Time:* 5.30pm - 7pm

*Venue:* Belconnen Library Community Room, Chandler Street, Belconnen

*Contact:* Margy Wylde-Browne

*Phone:* (02) 6201 2110

*Email:* [headspaceact@canberra.edu.au](mailto:headspaceact@canberra.edu.au)

**Drug Action Assembly**

*Kaleen High School*

Awareness campaign around Drug Action Week: Alcohol is a Drug - TOO!

*Time:* 11am

*Venue:* Kaleen High School

Contact: Catherine Campbell

Phone: 0466 152 335

Email: [catherine\\_campbell@act.gov.au](mailto:catherine_campbell@act.gov.au)

### Information Expo

*Kaleen High School*

Lunchtime expo involving services in the local area. The aim is to provide the students with information to make informed choices regarding the use of alcohol and to provide them with resources to seek out help if they or a family member need it.

*Time:* Lunchtime

*Venue:* Kaleen High School

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Wednesday 24 June

## **Second Annual ACT AOD Sector Conference: Exploring the Relationship Between ACT AOD Services and the New Prison (Fully Booked)**

*ACT Alcohol and Other Drug Sector Project*

The conference will focus on the relationship between AOD services and the ACT's new correctional facilities; and aims to facilitate access to evidence relating to best practice and seeks to strengthen the capacity, skills and knowledge base of workers.

*Time:* 8.30am - 5pm

*Venue:* National Library of Australia, Parkes Pl, Parkes

*Contact:* Ben Frommel

*Phone:* (02) 6247 3540

*Email:* [conference@aodsector.org.au](mailto:conference@aodsector.org.au)

*Flyer:* Download the [Conference Program](#)

## **Wellbeing Expo**

*Campbell High School*

An expo raising awareness about health and wellbeing issues.

*Time:* 9am

*Venue:* Campbell High School Sports Hall

*Contact:* Peter Mewburn

*Phone:* (02) 6205 6344

*Email:* [peter.mewburn@ed.act.edu.au](mailto:peter.mewburn@ed.act.edu.au)

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## Open Morning at Karralika

*Alcohol and Drug Foundation of the ACT (ADFACT)*

Site visit with displays of different activities. Open to workers from Government and NGO agencies.

*Time:* 10am - 1pm

*Venue:* Karralika, ADFACT

*Contact:* Fiona Scicluna

*Phone:* (02) 6292 2733

*Email:* [fionas@adfact.org](mailto:fionas@adfact.org)

## View to a Pill

*U-Turn Belconnen Youth Service*

As part of the Touchdown Youth Art Program, U-Turn Youth Service will run two art workshops providing young people with an opportunity to fill giant paper mache capsules with various 'pretend' ingredients, demonstrating that you never quite know who, or what has affected the drugs you're buying. The week will also include a trivia night centred around youth health and drug information.

*Time:* 2pm

*Venue:* U-Turn Youth Service, Cnr Chandler St and Swanston Crt, Belconnen

*Contact:* Kate Cvetanovski

*Phone:* (02) 6264 0260

*Email:* [kate.cvetanovski@bcsact.com.au](mailto:kate.cvetanovski@bcsact.com.au)

## Trivia

*Woden Youth Centre*

Brave your wits against the trivia quiz on the pool table battlefield, but beware! A wrong answer could leave you playing 'under the influence'.

*Time:* 3.30pm

*Venue:* Woden Youth Centre, 29 Callam St, Woden

*Contact:* Jess Urquhart

*Phone:* (02) 6282 2644

*Email:* [jess.urquhart@wcs.org.au](mailto:jess.urquhart@wcs.org.au)

## Women's Karaoke

*Women's Information, Resources and Education on Drugs and Dependence (WIREDDD) & Lesleys Place, Toora Women Inc*

"Be different, be yourself." Come along and sing and have fun.

*Time:* 2pm - 4pm

*Venue:* WIREDDD, Room G03, Griffin Centre, 20 Genge St, Canberra City

*Contact:* WIREDDD or Lesleys Place

*Phone:* (02) 6248 8600

*Email:* [wired@toora.org.au](mailto:wired@toora.org.au) or [lesleys@toora.org.au](mailto:lesleys@toora.org.au)

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## **Friday 26 June**

### **Activities / Expo / Guest Speakers**

*Melba Copeland Secondary School*

The school pastoral care program will be incorporating different activities throughout the week, with a focus on the them of Alcohol is a Drug - TOO!

*Time:* 9am

*Venue:* Melba Copeland Secondary School

*Contact:* Catherine Campbell

*Phone:* 0466 152 335

*Email:* [catherine\\_campbell@act.gov.au](mailto:catherine_campbell@act.gov.au)

### **Alcohol is a drug TOO!**

*Winnunga Nimmityjah Aboriginal Health Service*

Focus on youth involving young people from Queanbeyan and ACT schools.

Information and educational activities with a theme of music and young people having fun without using alcohol will be provided.

*Time:* 10.30am

*Venue:* Winnunga Nimmityjah Aboriginal Health Service, 63 Boolimba Crescent, Narrabundah

*Contact:* Roxanne Brown

*Phone:* (02) 6284 6222

*Email:* [winmed22@winnunga.org.au](mailto:winmed22@winnunga.org.au)

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### Know Your Alcohol Limit

*Sobering Up Shelter, Centacare*

A stall that will provide information on the affects of alcohol, safe drinking, risky drinking, binge drinking and standard drink sizes.

*Time:* 7pm - 10pm

*Venue:* Civic - near King O'Malleys

*Contact:* Anne Kirwan

*Phone:* 0419 216 491

*Email:* [anne.kirwan@centacare-canberra.org](mailto:anne.kirwan@centacare-canberra.org)

### Information Stall

*Save -A-Mate, Australian Red Cross*

Providing information about alcohol and other drug issues and the Program.

*Time:* TBC

*Venue:* Garema Place (TBC)

*Contact:* Steph Levy

*Phone:* (02) 6234 7612

*Email:* [slevy@redcross.org.au](mailto:slevy@redcross.org.au)

## Saturday 27 June

### Mocktails / Band Night

*DIRECTIONS ACT and Woden Youth Centre*

Live bands / mocktails / party safe at Woden Youth Centre.

*Time:* 6pm - 10pm

*Venue:* Woden Youth Centre, Callam St, Woden

*Contact:* Liddy Dixon

*Phone:* (02) 6122 8020

*Email:* [liddy@directionsact.com](mailto:liddy@directionsact.com)

## More Information

### ACT Drug Action Week 2009 Report

*ACT AOD Sector Project*

Following Drug Action Week, a report will be compiled by the ACT AOD Sector Project that outlines information, activities and key learnings from ACT Drug Action Week 2009. This report will be circulated over the eBulletin and uploaded to [www.aodsector.org.au](http://www.aodsector.org.au)

### **Participating in Drug Action Week 2010**

Information on initiatives for Drug Action Week in the ACT next year, including how you can get involved in the Drug Action Week Planning Group will be circulated through the monthly ACT AOD Sector eBulletin. To subscribe to the monthly ACT AOD Sector eBulletin visit

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