Application for Reference Group Members

Digital Information Strategy for Mental Health Alcohol and Other Drugs Healthcare Project

Closing date: 5pm Wednesday, 18 November 2020

Mental Health Alcohol and Other Drugs Branch, Queensland Department of Health

**The Mental Health Alcohol and Other Drugs Branch (MHAODB) is recruiting consumer and carers with lived experience and recent engagement with Queensland’s public mental health and alcohol and other drugs services to express their interest in participating in Reference Groups to inform the development of a Digital Information Strategy**

The Mental Health Alcohol and Other Drugs Branch (MHAODB) is leading a project to develop a Digital Information Strategy (the Strategy) for mental health alcohol and other drugs healthcare. As part of the consultation to inform the development of the Strategy, four Reference Groups will be formed with members participating in workshops to share their knowledge and experience. The workshops will be facilitated by a consultancy group with the first workshops to be held in early December 2020.

Further information about MHAODB and the Reference Groups is provided below.

About the Mental Health Alcohol and Other Drugs Branch

The MHAODB supports the statewide development, delivery and enhancement of safe, quality, evidence-based clinical and non-clinical services in the specialist areas of mental health and alcohol and other drugs healthcare.

This includes supporting and coordinating clinical and non-clinical service development and improvement, including the management and evaluation of performance across Queensland. MHAODB also undertakes contemporary evidence-based service planning, development and review of models of care, new programs and service delivery initiatives and is also responsible for statewide policy development in collaboration with government and non-government partners at the state and national level and representing Queensland in progressing national reform agendas.

Purpose

To inform the development of the Strategy, four reference groups will be formed covering;

1. Acute and Crisis Care eg. inpatient care, emergency department care
2. Secure and Diversion Care eg. forensic treatment and care, court liaison and diversion services
3. Community Bed-based (Residential) Care eg. community care units and step-up step-down services; secure mental health rehabilitation units
4. Community Care eg. community based care

The purpose of each reference group will be to bring individuals together to share their knowledge and experience across two workshops.

1. The first workshop will inform the mapping of the current state of experience of care and care provision.
2. The second workshop will seek information to inform the future state vision and identify key principles to support this, focusing on the future of digital healthcare and information management across Queensland’s mental health alcohol and other drugs services and broader health contexts.

In addition to consumer and carer representatives, the Reference Groups will include participants from Hospital and Health Services, MHAODB, primary health care and non-government organisations.

Reference Group members will be asked to attend a three-hour workshop and subsequent two-hour workshop - totalling a five-hour time commitment with some pre-reading to be provided. The first reference group workshops will be scheduled to commence in early December 2020.

Role of the consumer

The role of the successful consumer and / or carer applicants will be to attend a series of reference group workshops and to actively participate in all reference group activities such as pre-meeting reading, discussions, provision of feedback and advice.

Who is it for?

This opportunity would suit a consumer or carer representative with recent lived experience of Queensland public mental healthcare and/or alcohol and other drugs healthcare. Consumers and carers with an interest in digital healthcare and data and information management are encouraged to apply.

Time and location

The Reference Group workshops will be held virtually via Microsoft Teams and it is anticipated that the first workshops will be scheduled during the weeks commencing 30 November and 7 December 2020.

The second series of workshops will be held early in the New Year, from 4 January 2020.

An orientation session will also be held with successful applicants and this will be scheduled prior to the commencement of the Reference Group workshops.

Remuneration and Support

Consumers will be remunerated for their time in line with [Health Consumers Queensland’s remuneration position statement](http://www.hcq.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2015/12/Consumer-Remuneration-Rates-Dec-2015.pdf).

How to apply

**Please complete this consumer application form and return to****consumer@hcq.org.au** **by 5pm Wednesday, 18 November 2020**

For assistance please contact Health Consumers Queensland via consumer@hcq.org.au or by phone on 07 3012 9090.

**Consumer Application Form**

**Digital Information Strategy for Mental Health Alcohol and Other Drugs Healthcare Project**

Full name:

Preferred phone number:

Email:

Postal address:

Postcode:

* By completing this application, I consent for my details to be added to the Health Consumers Queensland network database YES | NO
* I would like to receive email updates from Health Consumers Queensland YES | NO
* Are you happy for Health Consumers Queensland to share this form with Queensland Health as part of the process for this application? YES | NO

Please highlight any group you identify as being a part of:

* Have a lived experience of mental health and or alcohol and drug treatment services
* Caring for someone with a lived experience of mental health and or alcohol and drug treatment services
* Living with a disability/chronic condition
* Caring for someone with a disability
* Physically isolated or transport disadvantaged
* Culturally or linguistically diverse
* From a non-English speaking background
* LGBTIQ+

Do you identify as: Aboriginal | Torres Strait Islander | Both | Prefer not to state

Are you a: Consumer | Carer

Age range: 16-24 25-29 30-39 40-49 50-59 60-69 70+

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| **Gender:** |  Male | Female | Intersex | Other | Prefer not to state |

Please describe any support you need to take part in this activity *(examples include support person, hearing loop, dietary requirements)*

*Your responses to the following questions only need to be a brief sentence or two*

1. Please describe your experience as a health consumer representative including committees, focus groups, surveys, governance roles, etc.

*Tip: Past consumer representative positions that have similar requirements to the opportunity you’re expressing interest in. Give an indication of how long each position was for, and any relevant highlights.*

1. **Please describe any connections you have to your community (e.g. networks, groups)***Tip: Think about how this relates to the role you’re applying for.*
2. Please tick the reference group you would like to join and describe your interest in joining the MHAOD Digital Information Strategy Reference Groups?
* Acute and Crisis Care
* Secure and Diversion Care
* Community Bed-based (Residential) Care
* Community Care

*Referee Section*

* Please provide contact details for a staff member from a health service or department you are currently partnering with. (we will advise if you are shortlisted before we contact your referee).

Full name:

Staff Role:

Partnering Activity (eg. Committee Chair):

Organisation:

Phone number:

Email:

Applicant Role: