



## NW Region SA Residential Rehabilitation Service

acknowledging Aboriginal and Torres Strait ancestors, elders and traditional owners of country in the NW SA region

### NEWLETTER

*Welcome to our newsletter!*

*The aim of our newsletter is to keep people who are interested in our AOD rehabilitation service - informed and connected. We will keep you updated on what is happening in the region, as well as provide the latest info on alcohol and drugs and programs. To ensure everyone is kept informed, please distribute this newsletter through your networks.*

If you have anything that you would like to share with others in the region, want to subscribe or have any suggestions on how we can improve our services, contact the ADAC Program Coordinator P: 0406664286 E: [sue-anne@adac.org.au](mailto:sue-anne@adac.org.au).

For those of you who aren't familiar with the history of the rehabilitation service visit [www.adac.org.au](http://www.adac.org.au) for more information.

#### NEWS UPDATE

After the announcement in April 2014 that Ellis Close, Port Augusta was going to be the site for the much awaited NW Region SA Residential Rehabilitation Service (NWRRR), there have been some unexpected delays in government transferring the site and assets. We are still progressing however as there is much to prepare for an expected opening in November.

Applications for the NWRRR Manager and Clinical AOD Supervisor positions have been shortlisted and an announcement on the successful applicants will be made shortly.

The NWRRR Program Coordinator recently visited Ceduna, Yalata and Coober Pedy with ADAC *Making Tracks* staff, to discuss the rehabilitation service with various services and the local Yalata community. We were pleased to see so much support for the service and hope to establish formal partnerships in supporting people pre and post rehab.

Many thanks to Port Augusta services and the Aboriginal Community Engagement Group (ACEG) for their input into the establishment of the service.

#### EVENTS

A **Community BBQ** at Ellis Close Port Augusta is coming up soon, for the community to attend and ask questions about the rehab. If you would like a community BBQ in your area to explain the rehab, contact Sue-Anne Morley - Aboriginal Drug and Alcohol Council on 0406 664 286.

The **Naming Competition** for the NWRRR has been extended to 7<sup>th</sup> Oct due to a typographical error on the entry form. This is your chance to win a prize valued at \$1000! Tell your friends! Entries are available through [www.adac.org.au](http://www.adac.org.au) or contact Aboriginal Drug and Alcohol Council 08 8351 9031.

#### FUNDING

There is an opportunity to apply for funding 8<sup>th</sup> Sep-7<sup>th</sup> Oct through Dept Prime Minister & Cabinet Indigenous Affairs under

- [Jobs, Land and Economy](#)
- [Children and Schooling](#)
- [Safety and Wellbeing](#)
- [Culture and Capability](#)
- [Remote Australia Strategies](#)

This funding is for 3 years from 1 Jul 2015, so you need to apply in this round. Applications should include all existing Indigenous funding through PM & C, and NAIDOC events for next year. Only one application per organization is allowed and PM&C expects all Aboriginal organisations to be incorporated under Office of Registrar of Indigenous Corporations (ORIC) if they receive more than \$500,000 in funding.

For those organisations who are interested, applications for *an AOD worker to provide education, brief interventions and support people referring to AOD rehabilitation and post rehabilitation*, would greatly assist outcomes and strengthen services in addressing AOD issues in the region. Pls contact us if you would like us to support your application.

#### TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT

SANDAS (SA Network of Drug and Alcohol Services, [www.sandas.org.au](http://www.sandas.org.au)) are interested in hearing

from AOD workers re gaps in training and what might be of interest to workers. Contact Victoria Monahan P: 08 8212 9020 E: [victoria@sandas.org.au](mailto:victoria@sandas.org.au)

### **BACKGROUND**

In April 2013, the Aboriginal Drug and Alcohol Council SA (ADAC), Aboriginal Health Council of SA (AHCSA) and Aboriginal Family Support Services (AFSS) formed a consortium to establish a residential rehabilitation service under a therapeutic community model of care, to address the needs of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island people in the north west region of South Australia. The 3 partners are also all state community organisations with member organisations in all communities within South Australia.

Under the leadership of the Aboriginal Drug and Alcohol Council SA, the North West Regional Residential Service (NWRRR) in Port Augusta will support individuals and families and include after care and case coordination, to strengthen their capacity to address alcohol and drug problems and reconnect with their families, community and culture.

The North West Region Residential Rehabilitation Service aims to be a proud employer of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and regards its human resources, cultural integrity and services partnerships as key components to the success of its service.