



ADCA

*Alcohol and other Drugs
Council of Australia*

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National Drugs Sector Information Service (NDSIS)

- Drug database
- Full text E-journals
- Ask a Librarian
- Tips and Tricks
- Update and Drugtalk
- Research assistance, training
- Current awareness
- RADAR and the
- National Inhalants Information Service

Why workforce development?

Under utilisation of information services

Project sending unsolicited information to researchers, policy formulators /advocates and AOD workers.


Result –

- Researchers response 100%
- Policy/advocates response 66%
- **AOD workers response 0**

Further research suggested that there needed to be motivation to interact with professional information. Professional Development?

Drugfields

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Drugfields
Professional development, policy and practice information
for the Australian alcohol and drug field

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LATEST NEWS

Registration for the NCARC Annual Research Symposium 2012 is now open.

Upcoming Webinar: Prescribing Medications to Individuals Who Are Homeless

Call for Symposia and Abstracts Now Open - APAC Scientific Conference 2012

If you are working in any Australian alcohol or other drug (AOD) field, regardless of position, qualifications or experience, this site has something to help you with your professional development.

Here you can access information about requirements for jobs in the AOD field, study opportunities for AOD qualifications or see a list of relevant conferences, workshops or seminars to consider attending.

There is quality alcohol and drugs information and also resources for specific groups from agency managers and prison workers to nurses and Indigenous health workers. All available from our Professional Toolkit.

Suggestions or feedback regarding this site are welcome and please [Contact Us](#) with your details to promote your AOD conference or training activity.

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Management
Mental health
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Training opportunities

Below is a listing of Professional Development opportunities held in local venues. Use the index at the side of the page to search by topic or date. Use the links below to sort by location.

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Entries in NT (4)

AOD - General

Working with clients who have drug and/or alcohol dependency

When: Wednesday 20 June 2012, 9:30am - 4:30pm

State: Northern Territory (NT)

Where: Alice Springs

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TAGGED JUN 2012, NT IN AOD - GENERAL

Indigenous

Darwin - Mental Health Assessment of Aboriginal Clients 2 Day Workshop

When: 4 & 5 June 2012

State: Northern Territory


Where: Holiday Inn Esplanade Darwin

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TAGGED JUN 2012, NT IN INDIGENOUS, MENTAL HEALTH

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Proactive practical service linking professional information to professional development

- Community of practice online space
 - Involvement of employers and employees / Leader and group members
 - Plans and goals over a defined time
 - AOD competencies or some form of Best Practice
 - Clear roles for leaders, individuals and the NDSIS information service
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Leader

- Have an agreed plan in place with goals and milestones recorded
- Easily contact all members of team at once and/or individuals
- Ask for information help directly and easily
- Provide same information to all members of team at one time and receive feedback
- Share resources across the group
- Check progress of members
- Arrange meetings or online get togethers or calendars

Key is online record




Individuals

- Keep record of PD activities aligned to a prepared plan
 - Keep in contact with leader/employer and colleagues and have contacts recorded
 - Have a distinct, private PD place that can stay with you over several employers
 - Construct resume/ PD record for outside use
 - Receive regular nudges to keep you on track
 - Have information delivered to your PD account
 - Receive on call AOD information support
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NDSIS

Make available to group or individual:

- Targeted journal articles reports etc
 - Monthly current awareness bulletins
 - Monthly AOD or mental health table of contents
 - Availability of relevant training, conference, workshops
 - Nudges
 - Literature searches
 - E-blasts
 - Assistance with PD activities and points system
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Pilot

Small trial group

No cost other than ADCA membership

Some flexibility to tailor system to suit a group

Learning about ePortfolios (precursor)

Feedback to the process





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Drugfields e-Portfolio

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The Drugfields ePortfolio site is a fully featured electronic portfolio system with social networking features to create online learning communities for alcohol and other drug workers. More information can be found [here](#).

Drugfields ePortfolio is a service provided by the Alcohol and other Drugs Council of Australia with funding from the Australian Government Department of Health and Ageing.

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Drugfields ePortfolio

Updated 4 October 2013

Inbox



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Edit this page

Administrator of Drug and Alcohol Nurses of Australasia , Drugfields

CPD collection 1

Edit CPD



Start Date	End Date	Title	Points
1 October 2013	16 October 2013	Communication at Sydney Description: Course Reflection: During this course I learnt about the safe handling of needles and injecting equipment	30.0
4 September 2013	5 September 2013	participate at Sydney	10.0
1 September 2013	4 September 2013	participate at Home	10.0
Total points			50.0

3 Activities

Image gallery



My friends



Terry Harrison

1 friend

Wall

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Post input area with up/down arrows and a slash icon

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Jane - 22 August 2013, 11:36 AM

Day one of eportfolio!

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CPD CPD collection 1 activities

New activity



Good work, 2 badges down, 3 to go.

Start Date	End Date	Title	Description	Points
1 October 2013	16 October 2013	Communication at Sydney	Course	30.0
4 September 2013	5 September 2013	participate at Sydney	Networked with researchers	10.0
1 September 2013	4 September 2013	participate at Home	Read 2 articles from addiction	10.0
Total points				50.0

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Conference CPD DANA Reading


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Plan 'Induction' tasks.

New task 

Completion date	Title	Description	Completed
10 September 2013	Meet HR	See HR person about pay	 
7 October 2013	Save files	Save files for new website	 
11 October 2013	Take photos	Take photos to upload onto website	  

3 tasks

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Conference **CPD** DANA Reading

e-Portfolio

- It's the way of the future
- Flexible - can be as simple or as complex as you want
- Cost effective
- Can be for all or selected team members
- Regular proactive information specialist back up
- Scope to start building a CPD framework for your organisation
- Work is required from all three groups
- Reflects the work put in
- Onus is primarily on workers
- Time must be allocated for CPD
- Ethics and privacy issues must be clearly defined