



Western Australian Network of
Alcohol & other Drug Agencies

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Alcohol and other drug services welcome investment in prevention, treatment and support

The Western Australian Network of Alcohol and other Drug Agencies (WANADA) welcomes the WA Government's investment in alcohol and other drug prevention, treatment, harm reduction and workforce development in response to the Methamphetamine Action Plan Taskforce's Final Report.

The Western Australian Government today announced additional funding of \$42.5 million to better support Western Australians - our families and communities affected by methamphetamine use.

"We welcome this balanced approach," says WANADA CEO Jill Rundle. "The WA Government's investment clearly demonstrates the valued role of the specialist alcohol and other drug service sector."

Considered, cross-government investment will be directed to new and expanding services across the State.

"We are a small sector, and there still are not nearly enough services to meet community demand," says Ms Rundle. "This funding will go some way towards growing the sector to provide needed services State-wide, so that more Western Australians can benefit from quality, specialist treatment and support."

The WA Government's full response to the 57 recommendations also provides policy direction on a range of future initiatives.

"We look forward to working with the WA Government in developing and implementing its commitments," says Ms Rundle.

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