

Country SA - Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services 2024/25 - 2027/28 Activity Summary View



AOD - 007 - AOD 7 - Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services Maintenance (DATSM)



Activity Metadata

Applicable Schedule *

Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services

Activity Prefix *

AOD

Activity Number *

007

Activity Title *

AOD 7 - Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services Maintenance (DATSM)

Existing, Modified or New Activity *

Existing



Activity Priorities and Description

Program Key Priority Area *

Alcohol and Other Drugs

Other Program Key Priority Area Description

Aim of Activity *

Extension of existing Increasing Access service providers via variation until 30 June 2026 through repurposed Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services Maintenance (DATSM) funding to continue to support AOD priorities identified in our Needs Assessment and in line with the Drug and Alcohol Treatment Activities schedule.

DATSM funding replaced funding previously provided through the Social and Community Services (SACS) Wages Supplementation payments to Alcohol and other Drugs service providers, by the Commonwealth Department for Health and Aged Care.

All AOD treatment services that previously received SACS supplement funding are eligible to receive funding through DATSM. DATSM funds will be distributed at the same level as previous SACS supplement funding amount.

Description of Activity *

To maintain access for Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services in Regional, Rural and Remote Areas.

Continue to commission current Service Providers (SP), who were directly approached based on experience in specified areas of need and ability to provide services in remote regions and their relationships to SACS payments.

Country SA PHN will continue to commission the to deliver a range of in-scope drug and alcohol treatment services, inclusive of:

- Initial screening and eligibility for treatment services
- Brief interventions focusing on one off crisis support, education and referral
- Individually tailored, client directed case management
- Provision of tailored clinical counselling aligned to client need and service intensity type
- Provision of individual counselling and support for significant others of individuals with problematic substance use
- Delivery of appropriate treatment addressing negative effects of substance use and mental health services for comorbid clients

Needs Assessment Priorities *

Needs Assessment

Country SA PHN-Needs Assessment 2025-2028 (Nov 2024)

Priorities

Priority	Page reference
Priority populations have access to high quality, culturally appropriate alcohol and other drug treatment services	185



Activity Demographics

Target Population Cohort

The target population cohort was derived from the 2020 South Australian State-wide Needs Assessment and includes:

- Youth
- Men
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people
- LGBTQI+ people and communities
- Culturally and linguistically diverse communities
- People with co-occurring mental health and drug and alcohol conditions
- Hidden groups (Immigrant groups, transient workers and farmers)

Country SA PHN's consumer focus is translated through the experience and outcomes of consumers who live, work and play in communities across country South Australia. The consumer focus supports a holistic approach to services that takes consideration of multiple factors that may impact the ability of the individual, family or community to experience health optimisation and wellbeing as they go about their daily lives. Supporting all members of our community; across all age groups, cultural values, family groupings, ability or disability, advantage or disadvantage, and sexual orientation.

In Scope AOD Treatment Type *

Three types of interventions make up the services commissioned under Country SA PHN:

1. Interventions to reduce harm
2. Interventions to screen, access and co-ordinate care
3. Intensive interventions.

Within these three interventions the following treatment types are deemed in scope and to be delivered.

- Early intervention, including brief intervention
- Counselling
- Case Management and care-coordination
- Non-residential rehabilitation/ Day Programs
- Culturally appropriate co-morbid treatment services

Indigenous Specific *

No

Coverage

Whole Region

No

SA3 Name	SA3 Code
Limestone Coast	40702
Fleurieu - Kangaroo Island	40701
Eyre Peninsula and South West	40601
Outback - North and East	40602



Activity Consultation and Collaboration

Consultation

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Country SA PHN has been progressing an AOD indicators project that aims to improve data collection and reporting requirements of commissioned AOD services. This will enable Country SA PHN to improve performance monitoring of AOD services and achievement of desired outcomes, as well as build an evidence base that will inform future AOD-related decision-making and planning.

This activity has been further strengthened through collaborative efforts across the South Australian AOD sector, working in partnership with Drug and Alcohol Services of South Australia (DASSA), Adelaide PHN, and Country SA PHN on shared priorities for consistent data collection across the State. This will contribute to high quality AOD services and outcomes in South Australia, through identification of a shared set of data indicators and definitions to be included in service agreements with commissioned providers, aligned to the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare Alcohol and Other Drug Treatment Services National Minimum Data Set, and other jointly identified measures.

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Collaboration

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- Develop complementary commissioning processes to provide effective and efficient service responses
- Develop consistent data collection processes and an evidence base that will inform future decisions and directions
- Build the capacity of and strengthen connections between service providers to improve service responses and streamline pathways across the sector
- Improve the health outcomes for priority populations and strengthen connections with the community.

Country SA PHN continues to engage with the peak AOD body South Australian Network of Drug and Alcohol Services (SANDAS), in addition, Country SA PHN commissions SANDAS to deliver regional AOD treatment education workshops.

Key stakeholders include, but is not limited to:

- DASSA
- SANDAS
- ACCHO's
- Regional LHNs

Country SA PHN will work closely with key stakeholders to support expansion, development and quality improvement of the alcohol and other drug services sector.



Activity Milestone Details/Duration

Activity Start Date

01/07/2023

Activity End Date

30/06/2026



Activity Commissioning

Please identify your intended procurement approach for commissioning services under this activity:

Not Yet Known: No

Continuing Service Provider / Contract Extension: No

Direct Engagement: Yes

Open Tender: No

Expression Of Interest (EOI): No

Other Approach (please provide details): No

Is this activity being co-designed?

No

Is this activity the result of a previous co-design process?

Yes

Do you plan to implement this Activity using co-commissioning or joint-commissioning arrangements?

No

Has this activity previously been co-commissioned or joint-commissioned?

No

Decommissioning

No

Decommissioning details?

Co-design or co-commissioning comments

Is this activity in scope for data collection under the Alcohol and Other Drug Treatment Services?

Yes



AOD - 1000 - AOD 1 - Core Drug & Alcohol Treatment Services



Activity Metadata

Applicable Schedule *

Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services

Activity Prefix *

AOD

Activity Number *

1000

Activity Title *

AOD 1 - Core Drug & Alcohol Treatment Services

Existing, Modified or New Activity *

Modified



Activity Priorities and Description

Program Key Priority Area *

Alcohol and Other Drugs

Other Program Key Priority Area Description**Aim of Activity ***

The activity aims to:

- Commission drug and alcohol treatment services that are locally relevant, and effective AOD treatment services and in line with local need
- Increase the direct treatment service delivery of the drug and alcohol treatment sector through improved regional coordination
- Improve the effectiveness of drug and alcohol treatment services for people requiring support and treatment by increasing coordination between various sectors and improving sector efficiency
- Identify and commission new service providers where there is unmet need and the continuation of current providers under flexible AOD Core funding arrangements and schedules.

Description of Activity *

This Activity will contribute to the following key objectives:

- Provide funding support to drug and alcohol treatment services to deliver evidence-based and best practice treatment modalities for drug and alcohol misuse.
- Provide service continuity to the drug and alcohol treatment sector by ensuring funding certainty to existing Commonwealth funded direct treatment activities.

- Continued the performance management and support of the contracted provider/s including reviewing, monitoring and evaluating service provision.
- Maintain service coverage to geographical areas serviced by existing drug and alcohol treatment services funded under the Drug and Alcohol Program.
- Continue to build linkages across the broader drug and alcohol treatment sector, including with alcohol and other drugs peak bodies, and primary health care providers.
- Support the drug and alcohol treatment sector through workforce and capacity building activities, in collaboration with alcohol and other drugs peak bodies.

Needs Assessment Priorities *

Needs Assessment

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- Culturally appropriate co-morbid treatment services

Indigenous Specific *

Yes

Indigenous Specific Comments

Two out of the seven providers have a specific Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander focus.

All other mainstream providers will:

- Provide culturally appropriate services to meet the needs and demand of respective clients.
- Continue to build linkages across the broader drug and alcohol treatment sector, including with indigenous alcohol and other drugs peak bodies, ACCHOs and primary health care providers

Coverage

Whole Region

Yes

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Activity Consultation and Collaboration

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Collaboration

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Intended outcomes are to support the strategic development of an effective and responsive alcohol and other drug service system in South Australia, the Parties agree to work collaboratively to achieve the below outcomes:

- developing complementary commissioning processes to provide effective and efficient service responses
- developing consistent data collection processes to develop an evidence base that will inform future decisions and directions
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- improve the health outcomes for priority populations and strengthen connections with the community.

CSAPHN continues to engage with the peak AOD body South Australian Network of Drug and Alcohol Services (SANDAS), in addition commissions SANDAS to deliver regional AOD treatment education workshops.

Key stakeholders are but not limited to:

- DASSA
- SANDAS
- ACCHO's
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Continuing Service Provider / Contract Extension: Yes

Direct Engagement: No

Open Tender: No

Expression Of Interest (EOI): No

Other Approach (please provide details): No

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Yes

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No

Do you plan to implement this Activity using co-commissioning or joint-commissioning arrangements?

No

Has this activity previously been co-commissioned or joint-commissioned?

No

Decommissioning

No

Decommissioning details?

Co-design or co-commissioning comments

Is this activity in scope for data collection under the Alcohol and Other Drug Treatment Services?

Yes



AOD - 2000 - AOD 2 – NIAS Drug & Alcohol Treatment Services



Activity Metadata

Applicable Schedule *

Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services

Activity Prefix *

AOD

Activity Number *

2000

Activity Title *

AOD 2 – NIAS Drug & Alcohol Treatment Services

Existing, Modified or New Activity *

Modified



Activity Priorities and Description

Program Key Priority Area *

Alcohol and Other Drugs

Other Program Key Priority Area Description**Aim of Activity ***

The commissioning of treatment services to ensure continuity of access to services and to address identified service gaps for mainstream populations and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples across the Country SA PHN region.

Activity will continue to meet the following key objectives:

- Increase the service availability of the drug and alcohol treatment sector through improved regional coordination and by commissioning additional drug and alcohol treatment services targeting areas of need, with a focus on methamphetamine use in the community where appropriate; and
- Improve the effectiveness of drug and alcohol treatment services for individuals requiring support and treatment by increasing coordination between various sectors, and improving sector efficiency.

Description of Activity *

Re-commissioning of existing providers to ensure service continuity until June 2026. Drug and alcohol specialist service providers who deliver evidence based and well placed to support service delivery within a context of rurality.

Service delivery to align to local need and be delivered via mix modalities of face to face, outreach and with the use of technology where required and or appropriate. Activities align with NIAS scope and will leverage other existing services whilst avoiding duplication.

Treatment activities will focus on early intervention, supporting those with mild to moderate alcohol and drug issues, addressing co-morbid mental and physical health issues, preventing relapse, and facilitating referrals and integration with primary care for those that require more enhanced levels of support.

Country SA PHN will continue to work with peak bodies and stakeholders via MoU to help facilitate effective and efficient referral and treatment pathways and system integration and achieve consistency in data collection. With an aim of improving client health outcomes for people in rural, regional and remote South Australia.

Needs Assessment Priorities *

Needs Assessment

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Priorities

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Integrated alcohol and other drug treatment services and systems for coordinated care across the health and social sector	186
Priority populations have access to high quality, culturally appropriate alcohol and other drug treatment services	185



Activity Demographics

Target Population Cohort

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- Youth
- Men
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people
- LGBTQI+ people and communities
- Culturally and linguistically diverse communities
- People with co-occurring mental health and drug and alcohol conditions
- Hidden groups (Immigrant groups, transient workers and farmers)

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In Scope AOD Treatment Type *

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3. Intensive interventions.

Within these three interventions the following treatment types are deemed in scope and to be delivered.

- Early intervention, including brief intervention
- Counselling
- Case Management and care-coordination
- Non-residential rehabilitation/ Day Programs
- Culturally appropriate co-morbid treatment services

Indigenous Specific *

No

Coverage

Whole Region

Yes

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Murray and Mallee	40703
Barossa	40501
Limestone Coast	40702
Eyre Peninsula and South West	40601
Outback - North and East	40602
Adelaide Hills	40102



Activity Consultation and Collaboration

Consultation

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Country SA PHN has been progressing an AOD indicators project that aims to improve data collection and reporting requirements of commissioned AOD services. This will enable Country SA PHN to improve performance monitoring of AOD services and achievement of desired outcomes, as well as build an evidence base that will inform future AOD-related decision-making and planning.

This activity has been further strengthened through collaborative efforts across the South Australian AOD sector, working in partnership with Drug and Alcohol Services of South Australia (DASSA), Adelaide PHN, and Country SA PHN on shared priorities for consistent data collection across the State. This will contribute to high quality AOD services and outcomes in South Australia, through identification of a shared set of data indicators and definitions to be included in service agreements with commissioned providers, aligned to the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare Alcohol and Other Drug Treatment Services National Minimum Data Set, and other jointly identified measures.

A semi-structured approach was utilised to gather information with questions focused on the following themes: sector context; cohort characteristics; client perspective, sector baseline and performance; strengths and, challenges and opportunities; and priorities and options.

Country SA PHN continues to engage with stakeholders to understand the trends, unmet needs and complexities of rurality, whilst looking for innovative solutions to meet the needs of people living in Country SA.

Attendance at state forums and education workshops hosted by peak bodies, to maintain currency in knowledge and early identification of local trends and impacts to AOD services.

Collaboration

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Intended outcomes are to support the strategic development of an effective and responsive alcohol and other drug service system in South Australia, the Parties agree to work collaboratively to achieve the below outcomes;

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- Develop consistent data collection processes and an evidence base that will inform future decisions and directions
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Country SA PHN continues to engage with the peak AOD body South Australian Network of Drug and Alcohol Services (SANDAS), in addition, Country SA PHN commissions SANDAS to deliver regional AOD treatment education workshops.

Key stakeholders are but not limited to:

- DASSA
- SANDAS
- 10 Regional ACCHO's
- Aboriginal Health Council of SA
- 6 Regional LHNs

Country SA PHN will work closely with key stakeholders to support expansion, development and quality improvement of the alcohol and other drug services sector.



Activity Milestone Details/Duration

Activity Start Date

01/07/2023

Activity End Date

30/06/2026



Activity Commissioning

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Not Yet Known: No
Continuing Service Provider / Contract Extension: Yes
Direct Engagement: No
Open Tender: No
Expression Of Interest (EOI): No
Other Approach (please provide details): No

Is this activity being co-designed?

Yes

Is this activity the result of a previous co-design process?

Yes

Do you plan to implement this Activity using co-commissioning or joint-commissioning arrangements?

No

Has this activity previously been co-commissioned or joint-commissioned?

No

Decommissioning

No

Decommissioning details?

Co-design or co-commissioning comments

Is this activity in scope for data collection under the Alcohol and Other Drug Treatment Services?

Yes



AOD - 3000 - AOD 3 – NIAS Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people Drug & Alcohol Treatment Services



Activity Metadata

Applicable Schedule *

Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services

Activity Prefix *

AOD

Activity Number *

3000

Activity Title *

AOD 3 – NIAS Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people Drug & Alcohol Treatment Services

Existing, Modified or New Activity *

Modified



Activity Priorities and Description

Program Key Priority Area *

Alcohol and Other Drugs

Other Program Key Priority Area Description**Aim of Activity ***

To increase access to targeted and culturally appropriate approaches to alcohol and other drug treatment for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. The commissioning of treatment services to ensure continuity of access to services and to address identified service gaps for mainstream populations and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples across the Country SA PHN region.

Commission new Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander specific service providers through RFT process based on the new State-wide Needs Assessment. New services will have a focus on early intervention and innovative time limited treatment services.

Activity will continue to meet the following key objectives:

- Increasing the service delivery capacity of the drug and alcohol treatment sector through improved regional coordination and by commissioning additional drug and alcohol treatment services for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people; and
- Improving the effectiveness of drug and alcohol treatment services for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people requiring support and treatment by increasing coordination between various sectors, and improving sector efficiency.

Description of Activity *

Commissioning of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander specific Drug and Alcohol innovation brief interventions through NIAS funding.

Re-commissioning of existing providers to ensure service continuity until June 2026. Maintaining a focus on culturally appropriate, safe and responsive Drug and alcohol specialist service providers who deliver evidence based AOD services and well placed to support service delivery within a context of rurality.

An open request for tender for 2024-2026 AOD service delivery for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people was undertaken in 2024 and two applicants were successful. Both applicants were current service providers of AOD service delivery in country SA in the Eyre and Far North LHN and Riverland Mallee Coorong LHN regions. The request for tender was collaboratively supported by Drug and Alcohol Services SA (SA Health), additionally the Director of Aboriginal Clinical Services and Strategy participated as a member of the Assessment panel.

Service delivery to align to local need and be delivered via mix modalities of face to face, outreach and with the use of technology where required and or appropriate.

Needs Assessment Priorities *

Needs Assessment

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Activity Demographics

Target Population Cohort

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who may also be one of the following high-risk groups with respect to methamphetamine, alcohol and other drugs:

- Young people
- Males aged 25-64
- Unemployed people
- LGBTQI+ people and communities
- People with co-occurring mental health and drug and alcohol conditions

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- Culturally appropriate co-morbid treatment services

Indigenous Specific *

Yes

Indigenous Specific Comments

Four service agreements (three service providers) are funded via NIAS Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander to have a specific Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander focus. (Note: two other service providers (ACCHOs), funded via AOD Core funding, also have a specific Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander focus).

All AOD treatment services, regardless of funding source are required to:

- Maintain service coverage to geographical areas serviced by existing drug and alcohol treatment services funded under the NIAS Program;
- Continue to build linkages across the broader drug and alcohol treatment sector, including with indigenous alcohol and other drugs peak bodies, ACCHOs and primary health care providers

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Decommissioning details?

Co-design or co-commissioning comments

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Yes