Brisbane North - Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services 2023/24 - 2027/28 Activity Summary View



AOD - 1100 - 1.1 - (Core Operational) Queensland Injectors Health Network



Activity Metadata

Applicable Schedule *

Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services

Activity Prefix *

AOD

Activity Number *

1100

Activity Title *

1.1 - (Core Operational) Queensland Injectors Health Network

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 *

From 1 July 2020, PHNs were advised of the ability to commission the most appropriate treatment services with flexibility to draw upon AOD Core and NIAS funding allocations individually or jointly. Allocating the total AOD funding sought to assist with increasing treatment availability in the community and better aligning programs to the Drug and Alcohol program. There are a number of key aims to this initiative.

These aims are to:

- · Strengthen organisational capacity to achieve improved alcohol and drug treatment service outcomes
- Increase access to a greater range of high quality, best practice alcohol and drug treatment services
- Reduce drug related harm for individuals, families and communities while providing for a more sustainable drug and alcohol

treatment sector into the future. To achieve the key aims of this activity, Brisbane North PHN will continue to commission existing service providers to deliver evidence-based models of drug and alcohol services.

The specific aims of this activity are to:

- Address the demand for access to drug and alcohol treatment through targeted, needs-based planning in response to the changing needs of the community. It also supports region specific, cross sectoral, and integrated approaches to drug and alcohol treatment services based on the needs of clients locally and focused on improving care coordination at the local level
- Support client's treatment journeys via internal and external services, referral pathways and linkages,
- Enhance service capacity to address complex physical, mental and social health needs.

Description of Activity *

In Brisbane North, there were approximately 7,699 clients attending Alcohol and Other Drug Treatment Services (AODTS) in 2022-23 and 11,100 closed alcohol and other drug treatment episodes in 2022-23. This equates to 554 episodes per 100,000 people or 376 clients per 100,000 people.

Brisbane North clients accounted for 3.6% of clients in Australia and is 6th in PHN rankings for treatment episodes in a PHN region. (AIHW, 2023a).

The main drug of concern for treatment was alcohol, with 44.2% of closed episodes, an increasing trend; followed by amphetamines (21.6%), cannabis (21.4%) and benzodiazepines (2.1%).

Assessment accounted for 41.3% of treatment types (second highest in PHN regions after the Northern Territory), with 38.7% for counselling.

Across the PHN region, equity of accessing treatment is also of concern, with only a limited number of AOD treatment services located in the northern areas of the region.

As of 11 November 2023, there are 35 AOD services in the Brisbane North PHN region, according to Queensland Network of Alcohol and Other Drug Agencies' (QNADA) service finder.

These treatment services include both non-government and government services, and are inclusive of psychosocial intervention, residential treatment, detoxification, and harm reduction providers (QNADA, 2023). Areas known to have some of the highest needs areas in the Brisbane North PHN region include Caboolture and Redcliffe.

Brisbane North PHN will continue to commission the service provider to deliver a range of in-scope drug and alcohol treatment services and improve access to these services.

Tasks undertaken to achieve this include:

- Brief interventions focusing on one off crisis support, education and referral
- Initial screening and eligibility for treatment services
- Provision of tailored clinical counselling to suit client needs
- 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
- Individually tailored, client directed case management
- Provision of psychosocial education and support to those making/contemplating changes to substance use, behaviours relating to substance use, and co-occurring mental health concerns
- Post-discharge follow-up interview.

Outcomes to achieve include:

- Short term: Service users have access to additional services located in targeted locations, hence enhancing their potential to achieve a timely response to addressing problematic substance use.
- Medium term: Waiting 'pools' for AOD counselling and treatment services in the Brisbane North region are better managed and wait times are reduced through group intake or similar processes.
- Medium term: PHN data is bolstered by reports from agencies identifying trends in service use and number of episodes of treatment
- Long term: Enhanced AOD response in the Brisbane North region leads to better health outcomes for the populations in this region.
- Long term: Referral pathways are working well, streamlining the stepping up/down between agencies and supporting strong, positive service user outcomes
- Long term: PHN has evidence of continuous quality improvement in commissioned AOD services, and seamless referral processes ensuring client access to timely service provision is enhanced and waiting lists are non-existent. Other activities will include facilitation of ongoing professional development for staff and developing relationships with other agencies, to enhance service capacity and support clients throughout their treatment journey.

Target Cohort:

This activity will aim to target the whole Brisbane North PHN region with people aged 18+ experiencing problems with substance use, and their extended networks.

Needs Assessment Priorities *

Needs Assessment

North Brisbane and Moreton Bay Joint Regional Needs Assessment 2025-27

Priorities

Priority	Page reference
Alcohol and other Drugs - Service Needs Level 1	4



Activity Demographics

Target Population Cohort

People aged 18+ experiencing problems with problematic substance use and their extended networks. Vulnerable and high-risk population groups including young people, women, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, LGBTI, unemployed people and culturally and linguistically diverse populations.

In Scope AOD Treatment Type *

Early intervention (including brief intervention); counselling

Indigenous Specific *

No

Indigenous Specific Comments

Coverage

Whole Region

Yes

SA3 Name	SA3 Code
Brisbane Inner	30501
Sherwood - Indooroopilly	30403
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Nundah	30203
Bribie - Beachmere	31301
Narangba - Burpengary	31304
Caboolture	31302



Activity Consultation and Collaboration

Consultation

Brisbane North PHN is currently co-commissioning the Joint Comprehensive Regional Plan with Metro North Hospital and Health Service to strengthen service integration, reduce duplication and fragmentation, enhance person-centred care, and support evidence-based decision-making to inform future policy and planning strategies. As of 2025, part of this collaborative regional planning will involve applying HCD criteria to assess QI ideas that move us closer to desired state to determine if the idea is feasible, desirable, ethical, sustainable. Where intersections with AoD occur, discussions within the AOD Collaborative will provide avenues to explore for these opportunities.

Collaboration

This activity will be implemented by Brisbane North PHN, under the guidance of the Alcohol and Other Drugs (AoD) Collaborative This group explores quality improvement in the AOD sector, supporting engagement and collaboration. Membership of this group is drawn from the Brisbane North region and includes Metro North Hospital and Health Service, Allied Health providers, Queensland Government agencies, the Queensland Network of Alcohol and Other Drug Agencies, Queensland Mental Health Commission, non PHN funded and PHN funded agencies, service users and families.



Activity Milestone Details/Duration

Activity Start Date 30/06/2016 Activity End Date 29/06/2026

Service Delivery Start Date

Service Delivery End Date

Other Relevant Milestones



Activity Commissioning

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

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?

No

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

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?

N/A

Co-design or co-commissioning comments

The PHN inherited contracts directly from the Department of Health, Disability and Ageing. Further consultation was held with transitioning providers to ascertain service parameters.

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

Yes



Activity Planned Expenditure

Planned Expenditure

Funding Stream	FY 23 24	FY 24 25	FY 25 26	FY 26 27	FY 27 28
Interest - Drug & Alcohol Treatment Services	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Social and Community Services Award (SACS) Component	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
NIAS Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
NIAS Operational and Mainstream	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Core Drug and Alcohol and Operational	\$0.00	\$1,241,695.55	\$1,260,950.10	\$0.00	\$0.00
Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services Maintenance	\$0.00	\$243,939.74	\$257,676.56	\$0.00	\$0.00

Totals

Funding Stream	FY 23 24	FY 24 25	FY 25 26	FY 26 27	FY 27 28	Total
Interest - Drug & Alcohol Treatment Services	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Social and Community Services Award (SACS) Component	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
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Core Drug and Alcohol and Operational	\$0.00	\$1,241,695.55	\$1,260,950.10	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,502,645.65
Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services Maintenance	\$0.00	\$243,939.74	\$257,676.56	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$501,616.30
Total	\$0.00	\$1,485,635.29	\$1,518,626.66	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,004,261.95

Funding From Other Sources - Financial Details

Funding From Other Sources - Organisational Details



Activity Comments

Activity Status

Submitted

PHN Comments

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AOD - 1200 - 1.2 - (Core Operational) Brisbane Youth Service



Activity Metadata

Applicable Schedule *

Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services

Activity Prefix *

AOD

Activity Number *

1200

Activity Title *

1.2 - (Core Operational) Brisbane Youth Service

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 *

This programs aim to increase alcohol and other drug (AoD) treatment access and availability in the community through strengthening organisational capacity to achieve improved alcohol and drug treatment service outcomes, increasing access to a greater range of high quality, best practice alcohol and drug treatment services, and reducing drug related harm for individuals, families and communities while providing for a more sustainable drug and alcohol treatment sector into the future. To achieve the key aims of this activity, Brisbane North PHN will continue to commission existing service providers to deliver evidence-based models of drug and alcohol services.

The specific aims of this activity are to:

- deliver alcohol and other drug treatment, reducing related harms for specific target groups,
- provide high quality alcohol and drug treatment while maintaining existing capacity,
- ensure the service meets the needs of specific population groups,
- support client's treatment journeys via internal and external services, referral pathways and linkages,
- enhance service capacity to address complex physical, mental and social health needs.

Description of Activity *

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treatment episodes in 2022-23. This equates to 554 episodes per 100,000 people or 376 clients per 100,000 people.

Brisbane North clients accounted for 3.6% of clients in Australia and is 6th in PHN rankings for treatment episodes in a PHN region. (AIHW, 2023a). The main drug of concern for treatment was alcohol, with 44.2% of closed episodes, an increasing trend; followed by amphetamines (21.6%), cannabis (21.4%) and benzodiazepines (2.1%).

Of the people accessing treatment services across Australia, there is a high diversity of clients in Brisbane North including:

- 9.6% of clients identify as Indigenous,
- 10.8% are young people aged between 10 and 19 years of age
- 12.3% of clients aged 60 years and over (highest of all PHN regions)

Target Population:

These statistics help identify the target cohort for services which include the General Population, Vulnerable and high risk population groups including young people women, LGBTI, unemployed, culturally and linguistically diverse, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and Parents/Carers.

Assessment accounted for 41.3% of treatment types (second highest in PHN regions after the Northern Territory), with 38.7% for counselling. Across the PHN region, equity of accessing treatment is also of concern, with only a limited number of AOD treatment services located in the northern areas of the region. As of 11 November 2023, there are 35 AOD services in the Brisbane North PHN region, according to Queensland Network of Alcohol and Other Drug Agencies' (QNADA) service finder.

These treatment services include both non-government and government services, and are inclusive of psychosocial intervention, residential treatment, detoxification, and harm reduction providers (QNADA, 2023). Areas known to have some of the highest needs areas in the PHN region include Caboolture and Redcliffe.

This activity is specific to young people aged 12 to 25 experiencing problematic substance use and their extended networks. Vulnerable and high-risk population groups including poly substance users, people with co-occurring mental health issues and complex needs, young women, young families with children, and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. This activity will target the whole of Brisbane North PHN region.

Brisbane North PHN will continue to commission a network of service providers to deliver a range of in-scope drug and alcohol treatment services for at-risk populations. These services include:

- 1. Deliver alcohol and other drug treatment and reduce alcohol and other drug related harm for individuals, families and communities.
- 2. Provide a high quality alcohol and drug treatment service, including maintaining existing capacity within BYS
- 3. Ensure the service meets the specific needs of target groups (youth, women, families with children, and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people)
- 4: Support clients throughout their treatment journey, using both internal BYS services and other referral pathways and linkages (such as legal, employment, medical, child and family care, housing, etc.)
- 5: Enhance service capacity to deliver appropriate services and treatment to complex health and social needs, including mental health issues.

Outcomes to achieve include:

- Short term: Service users have access to additional services located in targeted locations, hence enhancing their potential to achieve a timely response to addressing problematic substance use.
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positive service user outcomes.

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Needs Assessment Priorities *

Needs Assessment

North Brisbane and Moreton Bay Joint Regional Needs Assessment 2025-27

Priorities

Priority	Page reference
Alcohol and other Drugs - Service Needs Level 1	4



Activity Demographics

Target Population Cohort

People aged 12 to 25 experiencing problems with problematic substance use and their extended networks. Vulnerable and high-risk population groups including poly substance users, people with co-occurring mental health issues and complex needs, young women, young families with children, and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

In Scope AOD Treatment Type *

Early intervention including brief interventions Counselling including Psychotherapy Post treatment support and relapse prevention Case management, care planning and coordination

Indigenous Specific *

No

Indigenous Specific Comments

Coverage

Whole Region

Yes

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Brisbane Inner	30501
Sherwood - Indooroopilly	30403
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Activity Consultation and Collaboration

Consultation

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Activity Milestone Details/Duration

Activity Start Date 30/06/2016 Activity End Date 29/06/2026

Service Delivery Start Date

Service Delivery End Date

Other Relevant Milestones



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?

No

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

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?

N/A

Co-design or co-commissioning comments

The PHN inherited contracts directly from the Department of Health, Disability and Ageing. Further consultation was held with transitioning providers to ascertain service parameters.

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

Yes



Activity Planned Expenditure

Planned Expenditure

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NIAS Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
NIAS Operational and Mainstream	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Core Drug and Alcohol and Operational	\$0.00	\$411,748.75	\$417,482.62	\$0.00	\$0.00
Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services Maintenance	\$0.00	\$80,764.89	\$85,312.95	\$0.00	\$0.00

Totals

Funding Stream	FY 23 24	FY 24 25	FY 25 26	FY 26 27	FY 27 28	Total
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NIAS Operational and Mainstream	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Core Drug and Alcohol and Operational	\$0.00	\$411,748.75	\$417,482.62	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$829,231.37
Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services Maintenance	\$0.00	\$80,764.89	\$85,312.95	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$166,077.84
Total	\$0.00	\$492,513.64	\$502,795.57	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$995,309.21

Funding From Other Sources - Financial Details

Funding From Other Sources - Organisational Details



Activity Comments

Activity Status

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PHN Comments

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AOD - 1300 - 1.3 - (Core Operational) The Institute for Urban Indigenous Health



Activity Metadata

Applicable Schedule *

Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services

Activity Prefix *

AOD

Activity Number *

1300

Activity Title *

1.3 - (Core Operational) The Institute for Urban Indigenous Health

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 Drug and Alcohol Program provides Commonwealth funding for drug and alcohol related activities and aims to achieve improved health and social outcomes for individuals, families, and communities at risk of, or currently affected by problematic substance use in Australia. The overarching objectives of the Drug and Alcohol Program are to:

- *Support drug and alcohol treatment services across Australia to reduce the impact of problematic substance use on individuals, families, carers and communities.
- *Support prevention and early intervention activities and promote evidence-based information about drug and alcohol through education.
- *Support the development of drug and alcohol data to support evidence-based treatment national policy and service delivery.
- *Support service linkages between drug and alcohol treatment services and mental health services, as well as with social, educational and vocational long-term support services.

This activity aims to provide integrated AOD services for Indigenous Australians so that their treatment needs can be met in a culturally safe manner that better connects individuals to a broader service system. By supporting the Institute for Urban Indigenous Health, this activity aims to give funds back to community-controlled organisations to facilitate Indigenous-led health

services.

Description of Activity *

The Brisbane North PHN Health Needs Assessment determined that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders are priority populations that need priority support and resourcing. Health Impacts:

The JRNA highlights the significant health impacts of AOD use among First Nations people, including higher rates of hospitalisation and chronic health conditions related to substance use. This emphasises the ongoing need for culturally appropriate AOD treatment and support services to address the unique needs of First Nations communities.

Target Cohort:

This activity is targeted to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people of all ages across the Brisbane North PHN region experiencing problems with substance use and their extended networks.

Brisbane North PHN will continue to commission IUIH to deliver a range of in-scope drug and alcohol treatment services. These services include:

- Identification of clients with complex needs, particularly co-existing substance use and mental illness
- Psychological and social activities to support the treatment of clients with complex needs
- Maintaining a social health team in each participating community controlled health service for the treatment of clients with mental health and/or alcohol related issues
- Clinical supervision to social health staff
- Culturally appropriate therapeutic interventions and services for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander clients
- Support for clients to access appropriate psychological measures as part of a care coordination process
- Implementation of appropriate structures and processes for case management and referral
- · Routine drug and alcohol screening and brief intervention in primary and community care settings
- Cognitive behavioural interventions and social therapy tailored to the needs and preferences of high risk individuals and groups at risk of drug and/or alcohol related harm
- Drug and alcohol outreach support before and/or after residential rehabilitation for high risk dependent individuals.

Other activities will include facilitation of ongoing professional development for staff and developing relationships with other agencies, to enhance service capacity and support clients throughout their treatment journey. This activity is also delivered in other PHN regions.

Needs Assessment Priorities *

Needs Assessment

North Brisbane and Moreton Bay Joint Regional Needs Assessment 2025-27

Priorities

Priority	Page reference
Alcohol and other Drugs - Service Needs Level 1	4



Activity Demographics

Target Population Cohort

This activity is targeted to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people of all ages experiencing problems with substance use and their extended networks.

In Scope AOD Treatment Type *

- Early intervention, including brief intervention; information and education.
- Culturally appropriate therapeutic interventions and services for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander clients.

- Cognitive behavioural interventions and social therapy tailored to the needs and preferences of high risk individuals and groups at risk of drug and/or alcohol related harm.
- Drug and alcohol outreach support before and/or after residential rehabilitation for high risk dependent individuals.
- Cognitive behavioural interventions and social therapy tailored to the needs and preferences of high risk individuals and groups at risk of drug and/or alcohol related harm.
- Drug and alcohol outreach support before and/or after residential rehabilitation for high risk dependent individuals.
- Integrated services for physical and mental health. .

Indigenous Specific *

Yes

Indigenous Specific Comments

This is a program for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people led by and run through the local Community Controlled Health Services and integrated into the IUIH System of Care.

Coverage

Whole Region

Yes

SA3 Name	SA3 Code
Brisbane Inner	30501
Sherwood - Indooroopilly	30403
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Activity Consultation and Collaboration

Consultation

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Collaboration

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Membership of this group is drawn from the Brisbane North region and includes Metro North Hospital and Health Service, Allied Health providers, Queensland Government agencies, the Queensland Network of Alcohol and Other Drug Agencies, Queensland Mental Health Commission, non PHN funded and PHN funded agencies, service users and families.



Activity Milestone Details/Duration

Activity Start Date

30/06/2016

Activity End Date

29/06/2026

Service Delivery Start Date

Service Delivery End Date

Other Relevant Milestones



Activity Commissioning

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

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?

No

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

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?

N/A

Co-design or co-commissioning comments

Brisbane North PHN consulted with a wide range of stakeholders in the development of the Planning for Wellbeing: A regional plan for North Brisbane and Moreton Bay which focused on mental health, suicide prevention and alcohol and other drug treatment services for 2018-2023. The outcomes of this activity contributed to the co-design of this activity.

Brisbane North PHN initially inherited this contract from the Department of Health, Disability and Ageing. Service providers were consulted during the transition phase to determine the parameters of service design. Providers have been engaged with the Alcohol and Drug Partnership Group and were consulted in the development of the regional plan and the co-design of this program.

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

Yes



Activity Planned Expenditure

Planned Expenditure

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NIAS Aboriginal and Torres	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

Strait Islander People					
Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services Maintenance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
NIAS Operational and Mainstream	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Core Drug and Alcohol and Operational	\$0.00	\$2,633,847.94	\$2,670,526.05	\$0.00	\$0.00

Totals

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Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services Maintenance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
NIAS Operational and Mainstream	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Core Drug and Alcohol and Operational	\$0.00	\$2,633,847.94	\$2,670,526.05	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,304,373.99
Total	\$0.00	\$2,633,847.94	\$2,670,526.05	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,304,373.99

Funding From Other Sources - Financial Details

Funding From Other Sources - Organisational Details



Activity Comments

Activity Status

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PHN Comments

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AOD - 1400 - 1.4 - (Core Operational) The Qld Aboriginal and Islander Corp Alcohol & Drug Dependence



Activity Metadata

Applicable Schedule *

Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services

Activity Prefix *

AOD

Activity Number *

1400

Activity Title *

1.4 - (Core Operational) The Qld Aboriginal and Islander Corp Alcohol & Drug Dependence

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 *

All AOD Core programs aim to increase alcohol and other drug (AoD) treatment access and availability in the community through strengthening organisational capacity to achieve improved alcohol and drug treatment service outcomes, increasing access to a greater range of high quality, best practice alcohol and drug treatment services, and reducing drug related harm for individuals, families and communities while providing for a more sustainable drug and alcohol treatment sector into the future. It also supports region specific, cross-sectoral, and integrated approaches to drug and alcohol treatment services based on the needs of clients locally and focused on improving care coordination at the local level.

Description of Activity *

In Brisbane North, there were approximately 7,699 clients attending Alcohol and Other Drugs Treatment Services (AODTS) in 2022-23 and 11,100 closed alcohol and other drug treatment episodes in 2022-23. This equates to 554 episodes per 100,000 people or 376 clients per 100,000 people.

Brisbane North clients accounted for 3.6% of clients in Australia and is 6th in PHN rankings for treatment episodes in a PHN region. (AIHW, 2023a).

The main drug of concern for treatment was alcohol, with 44.2% of closed episodes, an increasing trend; followed by amphetamines (21.6%), cannabis (21.4%) and benzodiazepines (2.1%). Assessment accounted for 41.3% of treatment types (second highest in PHN regions after the Northern Territory), with 38.7% for counselling.

Across the PHN region, equity of accessing treatment is also of concern, with only a limited number of AOD treatment services located in the northern areas of the region. As of 11 November 2023, there are 35 AOD services in the Brisbane North PHN region, according to Queensland Network of Alcohol and Other Drug Agencies' (QNADA) service finder. These treatment services include both non-government and government services, and are inclusive of psychosocial intervention, residential treatment, detoxification, and harm reduction providers (QNADA, 2023). The areas are known to be some of the highest needs areas in the PHN region include Caboolture and Redcliffe.

The AIHW have identified the following demographics as priority populations in requiring alcohol and other drug support across Australia: Indigenous Australians, people experiencing homelessness, older people, people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds, LGBTIQ+, people with mental health conditions, younger people, and people who are in contact with the criminal justice system. (AIHW, 2020a)

Brisbane North PHN will continue to commission the service provider to deliver a range of in-scope drug and alcohol treatment services.

These services include:

- 1. Deliver alcohol and other drug treatment and reduce alcohol and other drug related harm for individuals, families and communities.
- 2. Provide a high-quality alcohol and drug treatment service, including maintaining existing capacity within QAIAS
- 3. Ensure the service meets the specific needs of target groups (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people for Brisbane North PHN region aged 18+)
- 4. Support clients throughout their treatment journey, using both internal QAIAS services and other referral pathways and linkages (such as legal, employment, medical, child and family care, housing, etc.)
- 5. Enhance service capacity to deliver appropriate services and treatment to complex health and social needs, including mental health issues

Outcomes to achieve include:

- Short term: Service users have access to additional services located in targeted locations, hence enhancing their potential to achieve a timely response to addressing problematic substance use.
- Medium term: Waiting 'pools' for AOD counselling and treatment services in the Brisbane North region are better managed and wait times are reduced through group intake or similar processes.
- Medium term: PHN data is bolstered by reports from agencies identifying trends in service use and number of episodes of treatment.
- Long term: Enhanced AOD response in the Brisbane North region leads to better health outcomes for the populations in this region.
- Long term: Referral pathways are working well, streamlining the stepping up/down between agencies and supporting strong, positive service user outcomes.
- Long term: PHN has evidence of continuous quality improvement in commissioned AOD services, and seamless referral processes ensuring client access to timely service provision is enhanced and waiting lists are non-existent.

Target Cohort:

People in the Brisbane North PHN region (predominantly though not exclusively Indigenous) aged 18+ experiencing problems with problematic substance use and their extended networks.

Needs Assessment Priorities *

Needs Assessment

North Brisbane and Moreton Bay Joint Regional Needs Assessment 2025-27

Priorities

Priority	Page reference
Alcohol and other Drugs - Service Needs Level 1	4

Target Population Cohort

People (predominantly though not exclusively Indigenous) aged 18+ experiencing problems with problematic substance use, and their extended networks. Vulnerable and high risk population groups including poly substance users, people with co-occurring mental health issues and complex needs, people experiencing unstable housing, people recently released from incarceration and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

In Scope AOD Treatment Type *

Counselling including Psychotherapy
Day stay rehabilitation and other intensive non-residential programs

Post treatment support and relapse prevention

Case management, care planning and coordination

Indigenous Specific *

Yes

Indigenous Specific Comments

The Queensland Aboriginal and Islander Corp Alcohol and Drug Dependence Service (QAIAS) is an active participant on the Alcohol and Other Drug Partnership Group which guides the implementation of activities.

Coverage

Whole Region

Yes

SA3 Name	SA3 Code
Brisbane Inner	30501
Sherwood - Indooroopilly	30403
Redcliffe	31305
Caboolture Hinterland	31303
The Gap - Enoggera	30404
Kenmore - Brookfield - Moggill	30402
North Lakes	31402
Chermside	30202
Sandgate	30204
The Hills District	31401
Bald Hills - Everton Park	30201
Strathpine	31403
Brisbane Inner - West	30504
Brisbane Inner - North	30503
Nundah	30203
Bribie - Beachmere	31301
Narangba - Burpengary	31304
Caboolture	31302



Activity Consultation and Collaboration

Consultation

Brisbane North PHN is currently co-commissioning the Joint Comprehensive Regional Plan with Metro North Hospital and Health Service to strengthen service integration, reduce duplication and fragmentation, enhance person-centred care, and support evidence-based decision-making to inform future policy and planning strategies. As of 2025, part of this collaborative regional planning will involve applying HCD criteria to assess QI ideas that move us closer to desired state to determine if the idea is feasible, desirable, ethical, sustainable. Where intersections with AoD occur, discussions within the AOD Collaborative will provide avenues to explore for these opportunities.

Collaboration

This activity will be implemented by Brisbane North PHN, under the guidance of the Alcohol and Other Drugs (AoD) Collaborative This group explores quality improvement in the AOD sector, supporting engagement and collaboration. Membership of this group is drawn from the Brisbane North region and includes Metro North Hospital and Health Service, Allied Health providers, Queensland Government agencies, the Queensland Network of Alcohol and Other Drug Agencies, Queensland Mental Health Commission, non PHN funded and PHN funded agencies, service users and families.



Activity Milestone Details/Duration

Activity Start Date

30/06/2016

Activity End Date

29/06/2026

Service Delivery Start Date

Service Delivery End Date

Other Relevant Milestones



Activity Commissioning

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

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?

No

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

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?

N/A

Co-design or co-commissioning comments

The PHN inherited contracts directly from the Department of Health, Disability and Ageing. Further consultation was held with transitioning providers to ascertain service parameters.

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

Yes



Activity Planned Expenditure

Planned Expenditure

Funding Stream	FY 23 24	FY 24 25	FY 25 26	FY 26 27	FY 27 28
Interest - Drug & Alcohol Treatment Services	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Social and Community Services Award (SACS) Component	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
NIAS Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services Maintenance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
NIAS Operational and Mainstream	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Core Drug and Alcohol and Operational	\$0.00	\$205,664.05	\$208,528.07	\$0.00	\$0.00

Totals

Funding Stream	FY 23 24	FY 24 25	FY 25 26	FY 26 27	FY 27 28	Total
Interest - Drug & Alcohol Treatment Services	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Social and Community Services Award (SACS) Component	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
NIAS Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services Maintenance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
NIAS Operational and Mainstream	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Core Drug and Alcohol and Operational	\$0.00	\$205,664.05	\$208,528.07	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$414,192.12
Total	\$0.00	\$205,664.05	\$208,528.07	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$414,192.12

Funding From Other Sources - Financial Details

Funding From Other Sources - Organisational Details



Activity Comments

Activity Status

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PHN Comments

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AOD - 2100 - 2.1 - (NIAS Mainstream) Commission AOD Treatment Services



Activity Metadata

Applicable Schedule *

Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services

Activity Prefix *

AOD

Activity Number *

2100

Activity Title *

2.1 - (NIAS Mainstream) Commission AOD 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 *

In Brisbane North, there were approximately 7,699 clients attending AODTS in 2022-23 and 11,100 closed alcohol and other drug treatment episodes in 2022-23. This equates to 554 episodes per 100,000 people or 376 clients per 100,000 people.

Brisbane North clients accounted for 3.6% of clients in Australia and is 6th in PHN rankings for treatment episodes in a PHN region. (AIHW, 2023a). The main drug of concern for treatment was alcohol, with 44.2% of closed episodes, an increasing trend; followed by amphetamines (21.6%), cannabis (21.4%) and benzodiazepines (2.1%). Assessment accounted for 41.3% of treatment types (second highest in PHN regions after the Northern Territory), with 38.7% for counselling. The AIHW have identified the following demographics as priority populations in requiring alcohol and other drug support across Australia: Indigenous Australians, people experiencing homelessness, older people, people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds, LGBTIQ+, people with mental health conditions, younger people, and people who are in contact with the criminal justice system. (AIHW, 2020a)

Across the PHN region, equity of accessing treatment is also of concern, with only a limited number of AOD treatment services located in the northern areas of the region. As of 11 November 2023, there are 35 AOD services in the Brisbane North PHN region, according to Queensland Network of Alcohol and Other Drug Agencies' (QNADA) service finder. These treatment services include both non-government and government services, and are inclusive of psychosocial intervention, residential treatment, detoxification, and harm reduction providers (QNADA, 2023).

Areas known to be of the highest needs in the BNPHN region include Caboolture and Redcliffe. The aim of this activity is to increase access to and the availability of alcohol and other drug (AOD) treatment services in the community of BNPHN region. Brisbane North PHN will achieve this aim by working collaboratively with a broad range of stakeholders to commission AOD treatment services. Commissioned services will be in line with departmental guidelines and consistent with Brisbane North PHN's needs assessment.

This activity is targeted as a broad spectrum of AOD related treatment services with particular focus on the northern part of the PHN catchment. Across the PHN region, equity of accessing treatment is also of concern, with only a limited number of AOD treatment services located in the northern areas of the region. To ensure that the aim of this activity is met, Brisbane North PHN will continue to commission a range of priority AOD treatment services across areas of identified need in the region. This will ensure that available services are used to their best effect to improve treatment rates and accessibility.

Description of Activity *

This activity caters to all individuals experiencing concerns with problematic substance use with particular emphasis on those with co-occurring mental health issues. The activity increases the availability of drug and alcohol treatment services for people experiencing problematic substance use, people with co-occurring mental health issues, and First Nations people experiencing problematic substance use residing in the Brisbane North PHN region.

- Day program/groups
- Face to face AOD counselling
- Case management and care coordination

Outcomes to achieve include:

- Short term: Service users have access to additional services located in targeted locations, hence enhancing their potential to achieve a timely response to addressing problematic substance use.
- Medium term: Waiting 'pools' for AOD counselling and treatment services in the Brisbane North region are better managed and wait times are reduced through group intake or similar processes.
- Medium term: PHN data is bolstered by reports from agencies identifying trends in service use and number of episodes of treatment
- Long term: Enhanced AOD response in the Brisbane North region leads to better health outcomes for the populations in this region.
- Long term: Referral pathways are working well, streamlining the stepping up/down between agencies and supporting strong, positive service user outcomes
- Long term: PHN has evidence of continuous quality improvement in commissioned AOD services, and seamless referral processes ensuring client access to timely service provision is enhanced and waiting lists are non-existent.

Target cohort:

The target cohort will be people experiencing problematic substance use, co-occurring mental health issues and First Nations people experiencing problematic substance use within the Brisbane North PHN region aged 15+.

Needs Assessment Priorities *

Needs Assessment

North Brisbane and Moreton Bay Joint Regional Needs Assessment 2025-27

Priorities

Priority	Page reference
Alcohol and other Drugs - Service Needs Level 1	4



Activity Demographics

Target Population Cohort

The target population includes:

- people experiencing problematic substance use
- people with co-occurring mental health issues.
- First Nations people experiencing problematic substance use

Age groups include:

15-24, 25-34, 35-44, 45-54, 55-64 and over 65

In Scope AOD Treatment Type *

Counselling; post-rehabilitation support and relapse prevention; case management, care planning and coordination.

Indigenous Specific *

No

Indigenous Specific Comments

Coverage

Whole Region

No

SA3 Name	SA3 Code
Redcliffe	31305
Caboolture Hinterland	31303
Strathpine	31403
Bribie - Beachmere	31301
Narangba - Burpengary	31304
Caboolture	31302



Activity Consultation and Collaboration

Consultation

Brisbane North PHN is currently co-commissioning the Joint Comprehensive Regional Plan with Metro North Hospital and Health Service to strengthen service integration, reduce duplication and fragmentation, enhance person-centred care, and support evidence-based decision-making to inform future policy and planning strategies. As of 2025, part of this collaborative regional planning will involve applying HCD criteria to assess QI ideas that move us closer to desired state to determine if the idea is feasible, desirable, ethical, sustainable. Where intersections with AoD occur, discussions within the AOD Collaborative will provide avenues to explore for these opportunities.

Consultation through surveys with key stakeholders including community members, clinicians, alcohol and other drugs partnership groups were conducted for the 25-27 JRNA. Findings were developed into key priority areas within the region.

Collaboration

This activity will be implemented by Brisbane North PHN, under the guidance of the Alcohol and Other Drugs (AoD) Collaborative This group explores quality improvement in the AOD sector, supporting engagement and collaboration.

Membership of this group is drawn from the Brisbane North region and includes Metro North Hospital and Health Service, Allied Health providers, Queensland Government agencies, the Queensland Network of Alcohol and Other Drug Agencies, Queensland Mental Health Commission, non PHN funded and PHN funded agencies, service users and families.

Ongoing conversations with the Provider, based on service delivery data and trends, have further refined and shaped service delivery.



Activity Milestone Details/Duration

Activity Start Date

30/06/2016

Activity End Date

29/06/2026

Service Delivery Start Date

Service Delivery End Date

Other Relevant Milestones



Activity Commissioning

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

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?

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?

N/A

Co-design or co-commissioning comments

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

Yes



Activity Planned Expenditure

Planned Expenditure

Funding Stream	FY 23 24	FY 24 25	FY 25 26	FY 26 27	FY 27 28
Interest - Drug & Alcohol Treatment Services	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Social and Community Services Award (SACS) Component	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
NIAS Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services Maintenance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Core Drug and Alcohol and Operational	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
NIAS Operational and Mainstream	\$0.00	\$1,457,737.95	\$1,475,802.43	\$0.00	\$0.00

Totals

Funding Stream	FY 23 24	FY 24 25	FY 25 26	FY 26 27	FY 27 28	Total
Interest - Drug & Alcohol Treatment Services	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Social and Community Services Award (SACS) Component	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
NIAS Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services Maintenance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Core Drug and Alcohol and Operational	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
NIAS Operational and Mainstream	\$0.00	\$1,457,737.95	\$1,475,802.43	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,933,540.38
Total	\$0.00	\$1,457,737.95	\$1,475,802.43	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,933,540.38

Funding From Other Sources - Financial Details

Funding From Other Sources - Organisational Details



Activity Comments

Activity Status

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PHN Comments

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Comments from the Department

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AOD - 2200 - 2.2 - (NIAS Mainstream) Workforce: Improving services integration and system efficiency



Activity Metadata

Applicable Schedule *

Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services

Activity Prefix *

AOD

Activity Number *

2200

Activity Title *

2.2 - (NIAS Mainstream) Workforce: Improving services integration and system efficiency

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 *

Workforce development (WFD) in the AOD field aims to build the capacity of organisations and individuals to prevent and respond to AOD related problems and to promote evidence-based practice. It goes beyond the provision of education and training to include issues such as recruitment and retention, workforce planning, professional and career development and worker wellbeing.

This program is workforce specific and its aim will be achieved by the development and implementation of a range of activities that support the AOD workforce in the Brisbane North PHN region.

These activities include a range of workforce training and development programs that will increase service integration and facilitate continuous quality improvement of the AOD workforce.

The JRNA 2025-27 also highlights the need to respond to an ageing AOD workforce and increase staffing levels to meet growing service demands across the sector. There is particular demand for the front-line specialist workforce in community services, and resources to support professional development and supervision in the workplace.

The community sector is recognised as experiencing a shortage of skilled workers in an environment that has consistently high caseloads, with patients who have increasingly complex needs. This activity aims to enhance service capacity, increase system integration and feed into further needs assessment and planning to address equity of access across the Brisbane North PHN region.

It is achieved by the development and implementation of a range of activities that support the AOD workforce in the Brisbane North PHN region. These activities include a variety of workforce training and development programs that increase service integration and facilitate continuous quality improvement of the AOD workforce.

Description of Activity *

This activity enables alignment of activities with our priorities for increasing service delivery capacity and improving integration of treatment services in the Brisbane North region.

Networks and partnerships created under the previous funding allocation will be strengthened to provide direction and advice on system integration and workforce development in the sector.

Collaboration with stakeholders across the Brisbane North region will continue, seeking consultation and input in planning and commissioning workforce development activities to best meet contemporary workforce development needs and aligned with emerging trends in alcohol and other drug treatment.

The key activities are:

- Coordination of Training for Commissioned Service Providers Facilitate the implementation of training to upskill staff of commissioned providers (June 2024-June 2025)
- People with Lived Experience Support implementation of AOD organisational readiness to support a lived experience workforce. (June 2025)
- Investment Mapping: Get greater clarity on the AOD service investment landscape (March 2025)
- Communities of Practice: Improve/maintain good collaboration between alcohol and other drugs treatment services Minimum 4 per annum (Ongoing)
- Service Finder: Maintenance of QNADA's alcohol and other drugs treatment service finder (October 2024 / April 2025 / October 2025 / April 2026) Twice-yearly updating and review.

Target Cohort:

This activity is aimed at workers of all ages employed in the drug and alcohol and related health sectors, and as a follow on, the people who benefit from having skilled AOD professionals who maintain their skills and capabilities to address ongoing and evolving concerns in the alcohol and other drug sector.

Needs Assessment Priorities *

Needs Assessment

North Brisbane and Moreton Bay Joint Regional Needs Assessment 2025-27

Priorities

Priority	Page reference
Workforce - Health Needs Level 1	3
Alcohol and other Drugs - Service Needs Level 1	4



Activity Demographics

Target Population Cohort

Aimed at workers employed in the drug and alcohol and related health sectors, and as a follow on, the people who benefit from having skilled AOD professionals who maintain their skills and capabilities to address ongoing and evolving concerns in the alcohol and other drug sector.

In Scope AOD Treatment Type *

N/A

Indigenous Specific *

No

Indigenous Specific Comments

Coverage

Whole Region

Yes

SA3 Name	SA3 Code
Brisbane Inner	30501
Sherwood - Indooroopilly	30403
Redcliffe	31305
Caboolture Hinterland	31303
The Gap - Enoggera	30404
Kenmore - Brookfield - Moggill	30402
North Lakes	31402
Chermside	30202
Sandgate	30204
The Hills District	31401
Bald Hills - Everton Park	30201
Strathpine	31403
Brisbane Inner - West	30504
Brisbane Inner - North	30503
Nundah	30203
Bribie - Beachmere	31301
Narangba - Burpengary	31304
Caboolture	31302



Activity Consultation and Collaboration

Consultation

Brisbane North PHN is currently co-commissioning the Joint Comprehensive Regional Plan with Metro North Hospital and Health Service to strengthen service integration, reduce duplication and fragmentation, enhance person-centred care, and support evidence-based decision-making to inform future policy and planning strategies. As of 2025, part of this collaborative regional planning will involve applying HCD criteria to assess QI ideas that move us closer to desired state to determine if the idea is feasible, desirable, ethical, sustainable. Where intersections with AoD occur, discussions within the AOD Collaborative will provide avenues to explore these opportunities.

Collaboration

This activity will be implemented by Brisbane North PHN, under the guidance of the Alcohol and Other Drugs (AoD) Collaborative This group explores quality improvement in the AOD sector, supporting engagement and collaboration.

Membership of this group is drawn from the Brisbane North region and includes Metro North Hospital and Health Service, Allied Health providers, Queensland Government agencies, the Queensland Network of Alcohol and Other Drug Agencies, Queensland Mental Health Commission, non PHN funded and PHN funded agencies, service users and families.



Activity Milestone Details/Duration

Activity Start Date

30/06/2016

Activity End Date

29/06/2026

Service Delivery Start Date

Service Delivery End Date

Other Relevant Milestones



Activity Commissioning

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

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?

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?

N/A

Co-design or co-commissioning comments

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

No



Activity Planned Expenditure

Planned Expenditure

Funding Stream	FY 23 24	FY 24 25	FY 25 26	FY 26 27	FY 27 28
Interest - Drug & Alcohol Treatment Services	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Social and Community Services Award (SACS) Component	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
NIAS Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services Maintenance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Core Drug and Alcohol and Operational	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
NIAS Operational and Mainstream	\$0.00	\$137,786.50	\$139,421.69	\$0.00	\$0.00

Totals

Funding Stream	FY 23 24	FY 24 25	FY 25 26	FY 26 27	FY 27 28	Total
Interest - Drug & Alcohol Treatment Services	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Social and Community Services Award (SACS) Component	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
NIAS Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services Maintenance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Core Drug and Alcohol and Operational	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
NIAS Operational and Mainstream	\$0.00	\$137,786.50	\$139,421.69	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$277,208.19
Total	\$0.00	\$137,786.50	\$139,421.69	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$277,208.19

Funding From Other Sources - Financial Details

Funding From Other Sources - Organisational Details



Activity Comments

Activity Status

Submitted

PHN Comments

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AOD - 3100 - 3.1 - (NIAS Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander) Commission AOD treatment services



Activity Metadata

Applicable Schedule *

Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services

Activity Prefix *

AOD

Activity Number *

3100

Activity Title *

3.1 - (NIAS Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander) Commission AOD 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 aim of this activity is to increase the availability of AOD treatment services specifically to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. To achieve this aim, Brisbane North PHN will work collaboratively with a broad range of stakeholders to continue to commission AOD treatment services targeted to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

The aim of this activity addresses equity of access issues for ADO treatment among Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the Brisbane North PHN region and provide integrated AOD services for Indigenous Australians so that their treatment needs can be met in a culturally safe manner that better connects individuals to a broader service system.

By supporting the Institute for Urban Indigenous Health, this activity aims to give funds back to community controlled organisations to facilitate Indigenous-led health services. It is achieved by the development and implementation of a range of activities that support the AOD workforce in the Brisbane North PHN region. These activities include a variety of workforce training and development programs that increase service integration and facilitate continuous quality improvement of the AOD workforce.

Description of Activity *

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are experiencing high levels of problematic Drug and Alcohol use and there is a need for a whole of region integrated and coordinated response. The Brisbane North PHN Health Needs Assessment determined that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders are priority populations that need priority support and resourcing. Brisbane North PHN will

continue to commission IUIH to deliver a range of in-scope drug and alcohol treatment services.

These services include:

- Early intervention
- Counselling
- Post-rehabilitation support and relapse prevention
- Case management, care planning and coordination.
- Conducting regular Communities of Practice (Practitioner, Supervisor/Team Leader) at least 4 per annum
- Maintenance of QNADA's alcohol and other drugs treatment service finder (twice-yearly updating and review)
- Consulting with stakeholders and PWLE to devise a framework for organisational engagement with the AOD LE workforce.
- Facilitating the implementation of training to upskill staff of commissioned providers Working with QH to clarify taxonomy In Brisbane North PHN's broader needs assessment and broader activity work plan, the health of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people was highlighted. Similarly, in the PHN's Mental Health and Suicide Prevention needs assessment and activity work plan, the needs of this population were highlighted and separately identified. In delivering this activity, integration with these other activities will occur. The commissioned service provider will provide a range of in-scope treatment activities as part of an integrated social and emotional health and wellbeing approach. This includes improved psychological health and social functioning for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people attending due to problematic substance use.

Target Cohort:

Aimed at workers employed in the drug and alcohol and related health sectors, and as a follow on, the people who benefit from having skilled AOD professionals who maintain their skills and capabilities to address ongoing and evolving concerns in the alcohol and other drug sector.

Needs Assessment Priorities *

Needs Assessment

North Brisbane and Moreton Bay Joint Regional Needs Assessment 2025-27

Priorities

Priority	Page reference
Alcohol and other Drugs - Service Needs Level 1	4



Activity Demographics

Target Population Cohort

Aimed at workers employed in the drug and alcohol and related health sectors, and as a follow on, the people who benefit from having skilled AOD professionals who maintain their skills and capabilities to address ongoing and evolving concerns in the alcohol and other drug sector.

In Scope AOD Treatment Type *

- Identification of clients with complex needs, particularly co-existing substance use and mental illness
- · Psychological and social activities to support the treatment of clients with complex needs
- Maintaining a social health team in each participating community controlled health service for the treatment of clients with mental health and/or alcohol related issues
- Clinical supervision to social health staff
- Culturally appropriate therapeutic interventions and services for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander clients
- Support for clients to access appropriate psychological measures as part of a care coordination process Implementation of appropriate structures and processes for case management and referral
- Routine drug and alcohol screening and brief intervention in primary and community care settings
- Cognitive behavioural interventions and social therapy tailored to the needs and preferences of high risk individuals and groups at risk of drug and/or alcohol related harm

• Drug and alcohol outreach support before and/or after residential rehabilitation for high risk dependent individuals.

Indigenous Specific *

Yes

Indigenous Specific Comments

The Institute for Urban Indigenous Health (IUIH) is an active participant on the Alcohol and Other Drug Partnership Group which guides the implementation of activities.

Coverage

Whole Region

No

SA3 Name	SA3 Code
Redcliffe	31305
Caboolture Hinterland	31303
North Lakes	31402
The Hills District	31401
Strathpine	31403
Nundah	30203
Bribie - Beachmere	31301
Narangba - Burpengary	31304
Caboolture	31302



Activity Consultation and Collaboration

Consultation

Brisbane North PHN is currently co-commissioning the Joint Comprehensive Regional Plan with Metro North Hospital and Health Service to strengthen service integration, reduce duplication and fragmentation, enhance person-centred care, and support evidence-based decision-making to inform future policy and planning strategies. As of 2025, part of this collaborative regional planning will involve applying HCD criteria to assess QI ideas that move us closer to desired state to determine if the idea is feasible, desirable, ethical, sustainable. Where intersections with AoD occur, discussions within the AOD Collaborative will provide avenues to explore these opportunities.

Collaboration

This activity will be implemented by Brisbane North PHN, under the guidance of the Alcohol and Other Drugs (AoD) Collaborative This group explores quality improvement in the AOD sector, supporting engagement and collaboration.

Membership of this group is drawn from the Brisbane North region and includes Metro North Hospital and Health Service, Allied Health providers, Queensland Government agencies, the Queensland Network of Alcohol and Other Drug Agencies, Queensland Mental Health Commission, non PHN funded and PHN funded agencies, service users and families.



Activity Milestone Details/Duration

Activity Start Date 30/06/2016 **Activity End Date** 29/06/2026

Service Delivery Start Date

Service Delivery End Date

Other Relevant Milestones



Activity Commissioning

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

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?

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?

N/A

Co-design or co-commissioning comments

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

Yes



Activity Planned Expenditure

Planned Expenditure

Funding Stream	FY 23 24	FY 24 25	FY 25 26	FY 26 27	FY 27 28
Interest - Drug & Alcohol Treatment Services	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Social and Community Services Award (SACS) Component	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services Maintenance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
NIAS Operational and Mainstream	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Core Drug and Alcohol and Operational	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
NIAS Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People	\$0.00	\$432,484.04	\$437,956.17	\$0.00	\$0.00

Totals

Funding Stream	FY 23 24	FY 24 25	FY 25 26	FY 26 27	FY 27 28	Total
Interest - Drug & Alcohol Treatment Services	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
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NIAS Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People	\$0.00	\$432,484.04	\$437,956.17	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$870,440.21
Total	\$0.00	\$432,484.04	\$437,956.17	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$870,440.21

Funding From Other Sources - Financial Details

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Activity Comments

Activity Status

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Applicable Schedule *

Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services

AOD-Op - 1000 - AOD - Operational



Activity Metadata

Activity Prefix *
AOD-Op
Activity Number *
1000
Activity Title *
AOD - OPERATIONAL
Existing, Modified or New Activity *
Existing
Activity Priorities and Description
Program Key Priority Area *
Other Program Key Priority Area Description
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Needs Assessment Priorities *
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Target Population Cohort
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Not Yet Known: No

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Decommissioning

Decommissioning details?

Co-design or co-commissioning comments



Activity Planned Expenditure

Planned Expenditure

Funding Stream	FY 23 24	FY 24 25	FY 25 26	FY 26 27	FY 27 28
Interest - Drug & Alcohol Treatment Services	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

Drug &	\$0.00	\$546,522.89	\$395,653.97	\$0.00	\$0.00
Alcohol -					
Operational					

Totals

Funding Stream	FY 23 24	FY 24 25	FY 25 26	FY 26 27	FY 27 28	Total
Interest - Drug & Alcohol Treatment Services	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Drug & Alcohol - Operational	\$0.00	\$546,522.89	\$395,653.97	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$942,176.86
Total	\$0.00	\$546,522.89	\$395,653.97	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$942,176.86

Funding From Other Sources - Financial Details

Funding From Other Sources - Organisational Details



Activity Comments

Activity Status

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