

## Managing Alcohol and Mental Health Comorbidity in Primary Care: Divisions' Orientation Workshop

### Evaluation Results

The audience of the orientation workshop consisted predominantly of project officers from Divisions of General Practice charged with implementing *Managing the Mix* at a local level. The orientation was intended to introduce Divisions to the details of the project, following the launch the previous day. The orientation featured presentations and discussions on relevant policy initiatives, an overview of the project and ADGP's role in supporting Divisions, consumer and carer resources, evaluation, and the education and training package developed for *Managing the Mix*.

32 people attended the orientation, of whom 6 were presenters. Evaluation forms were provided to the 26 participants and 19 forms were completed (a 73% response rate).

Overall, responses were very positive: content, format, presentations, information, networking and opportunities to express views were all positively received. A breakdown of data is included in the table below.

<b>Questions</b>	<b>To a great extent</b>	<b>To some extent</b>	<b>Not much</b>	<b>Not at all</b>
1. Was the content of the day useful?	14	5	0	0
2. Was the format of the day suitable?	15	4	0	0
	<b>Excellent</b>	<b>Good</b>	<b>Poor</b>	<b>Very poor</b>
3. Overall how would you rate the quality of the presentations?	8	11	0	0
	<b>To a great extent</b>	<b>To some extent</b>	<b>Not much</b>	<b>Not at all</b>
4. Did the day provide an overview of how <i>Managing the Mix</i> relates to recent policy initiatives?	7	12	3	0
5. Did the orientation provide information on <i>Managing the Mix</i> reporting timelines, communications and support for Divisions?	14	5	0	0
6. Were you informed about the Consumer and Carer resources being developed for <i>Managing the Mix</i> ?	11	8	0	0
7. Did the orientation provide you with information on the	13	6	0	0

evaluation process for Divisions?				
8. Were you given information on the education and training package that will be made available to Divisions through <i>Managing the Mix</i> ?	8	11	0	0
9. Did the day provide opportunities to network with others?	11	8	0	0
10. Did the orientation provide opportunities for you to interact with others and express your views?	13	6	0	0

Additional comments provided by participants included:

- Great day. Thanks for your huge effort to pull both days together. Steve has done a great job with the resources. Would have been great to know that lunch was starting early.
- Feel much better equipped to begin the project.
- 8<sup>th</sup> December is a short timeline to re-submit proposals for people who work on numerous programs or only part time on mental health. Generally very comprehensive and well-organised with suitable opportunities for feedback.
- Good introduction. The idea that arose which was useful was the suggestion that the initial training be done in all capital cities.
- Well done.
- Have found the day extremely informative and has clarified a number of issues etc. Well done!
- Concerned about consultation process undertaken re consumer/carer resources ie small group not representative of populations covered by this project (youth, indigenous, CALD). Concerned about narrow focus of education.
- Felt the session on consumer resources was inappropriately used as a 'focus group' – too many people, too many opinions. The education session was useful, but too long and too detailed. Pity the training package is not more fully developed, still difficult to grasp "roll out" without more detail.