

REVIEW OF THE DRUG AND ALCOHOL PREVENTION AND TREATMENT SERVICES SECTOR

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The Advisory Committee met via teleconference on 27 September 2013. At the meeting, the project team updated members on the progress of data collection activities. The data collection for the Commonwealth has been completed and was very productive. Staff from relevant areas within Attorney Generals, the Department of Health, and the Department of Social Services were interviewed. The data collection in the states and territories, inclusive of the NGO peak bodies, state/territory health departments and Commonwealth offices will be conducted over October and November.

The project team has received feedback on the first working paper *'Estimating need and demand for treatment – a background briefing'* and an addendum summarising feedback has been posted on the DPMP website at <http://dpmp.unsw.edu.au/content/WP1>. This addendum will be updated as further feedback comes in.

The DPMP team presented a draft conceptual funding map and associated paper. The map and associated notes summarises all the possible funding sources across all levels of government for AOD treatment: for example it includes Medicare, the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme, Commonwealth flexible funds, national hospital funding pool, Attorney General's funding, national partnership agreements, philanthropy and so on. The document will be released on the DPMP website at the completion of data collection activities.

The Advisory Committee is scheduled to next meet via teleconference in December 2013 and face-to-face in January 2014.

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