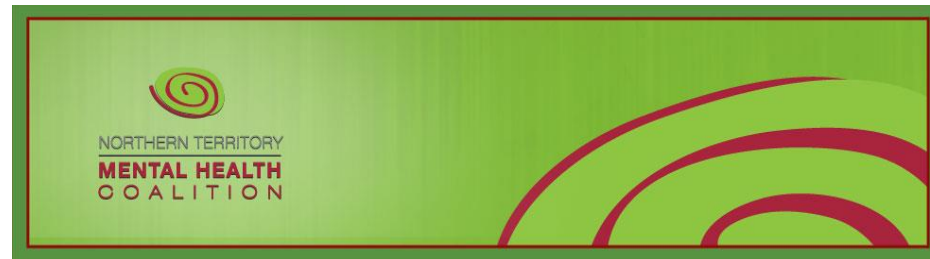


Strategic Plan 2016 -2019



Purpose: To provide an effective peak body function by ensuring a strong voice for member organisations and a reference point for governments on all issues relating to the provision of mental health services in the Northern Territory.

Objectives:

1. To be representative of member organisations providing mental health services across the Northern Territory.
2. To provide advice and policy input on Northern Territory mental health service provision and any associated challenges to all levels of government.
3. To contribute a Northern Territory perspective on the provision of effective and accessible mental health services to national mental health networks and associated peak bodies.
4. To promote and facilitate and dissemination and discussion of contemporary information, government policy positions and initiatives to member organisations.
5. To ensure, where possible within available resources, the provision of sector development services and support to member organisations.
6. To actively network with local and national organisations to promote awareness of the role of the Coalition and issues related to the provision of quality mental health service provision across the Northern Territory.

Strategic Priority Areas

Strategic Priority 1: <i>Provide advice, advocacy and representation for members organisations and the broader mental health service system to key stakeholders.</i>	Strategic Priority 2: <i>Ensure ongoing sustainability of the Coalition to ensure mental health providers are supported by a strong peak body.</i>	Strategic Priority 3: <i>Support quality mental health services in the Northern Territory through appropriate sector development support and initiatives, <u>within available resources.</u></i>	Strategic Priority 4: <i>Facilitate networking and information sharing on mental health issues in the Territory.</i>
1.1. Actively seek the views of members on a broad range of issues relating to the provision of mental health services across the Territory.	2.1 Establish a firm funding base for the Coalition.	3.1 Promote quality improvement approaches to the provision of mental health services in the Northern Territory.	4.1 Develop a comprehensive communication strategy and plan.
1.2 Seek to Influence government policy through the provision of information and advice to relevant parties.	2.2 Build the membership base.	3.2 Advocate for workforce development initiatives within the community based mental health sector.	4.2 Promote information forums and undertake network sharing opportunities within the Northern Territory and nationally.
1.3 Advocate, where appropriate, on behalf of member organisations.	2.3 Strengthen the capability of the Coalition's Board.	3.3 Support member organisations to respond to emerging issues through sector development activity.	4.3 Contribute to positive attitudes about mental health in the community.
1.4 Provide timely and relevant information to members on local and national issues.	2.4 Explore opportunities for additional funding – both recurrent and one-off.		4.4 Explore opportunities to partner with other agencies where relevant.