

## **Expression of Interest (EOI): Lived experience representatives on the Strategic Oversight Committee for the Joint Regional Plan for Mental Health, Suicide Prevention, Alcohol and Other Drug Services**

### **Who we are looking for**

Gold Coast Primary Health Network (GCPHN) and Gold Coast Health are currently seeking EOIs for two lived experience representatives to join the Strategic Oversight Committee for the Joint Regional Plan for Mental Health, Suicide Prevention, Alcohol and Other Drug Services.

### **Background**

Building on a strong history of collaboration, during 2019 and 2020 Gold Coast Primary Health Network (GCPHN) and Gold Coast Health worked in partnership to bring together people with lived experience, service providers and community stakeholders to develop a [Joint Regional Plan for Mental Health, Suicide Prevention, Alcohol and Other Drug Services](#) in the Gold Coast region (the Joint Regional Plan). Joint [governance structures](#) were established to lead and guide this work with numerous specific consultation opportunities throughout the planning and development process.

The Joint Regional Plan outlines a shared understanding of the issues our region faces, a shared vision for the future and a joint strategic roadmap for future service provision. Finalised in June 2020, GCPHN and Gold Coast Health are progressing with implementation of the Joint Regional Plan, including establishment of new governance structures.

### **Purpose of the Strategic Oversight Committee**

The purpose of the Joint Regional Plan Strategic Oversight Committee (the Committee) is to provide leadership, guidance and oversight to the implementation of the Joint Regional Plan.

The Committee provides a platform for leaders and people with lived experience and cultural knowledge to come together as partners, using their specific knowledge and expertise to inform the best ways to achieve the shared outcomes identified in the Joint Regional Plan. It is acknowledged that the implementation of the Joint Regional Plan is being led by the Gold Coast Primary Health Network (GCPHN) and Gold Coast Health (GCH), within the context of their commitment as part of *Fifth National Mental Health and Suicide Prevention Plan and Queensland Health's Connecting care to recovery 2016-2021*. However, the longer-term outcomes identified in this plan will require commitment from several different organisations and agencies.

### Skills and attributes

- Ability to contribute your lived experience perspective positively and constructively at Executive Level stakeholder meetings
- A commitment to a 'whole of system' approach
- A desire to drive and inform evidence-based service development

### Key criteria (must be answered)

- Lived experience (consumer or carer) of mental health, suicide, alcohol, or other drugs challenges of varying levels of need (Stepped Care continuum)
- Recent lived experience of accessing mental health, suicide prevention, alcohol or other drugs services in the Gold Coast region (consumer, carer, or both)
- The ability to share insights of the broader community as a representative of the lived experience voice
- Lived experience representative training or demonstrated experience participating in committee or community group environments

### Commitment required

- Capacity to attend all bimonthly meetings through June 2021
- Capacity to attend additional meetings (e.g. annual symposium) where required. Notice would be given well prior to these additional commitments
- Pre-reading and evaluation/assessment of documentation related to agenda items
- Responsive to email and other communication related to meetings

### Where/how

Due to COVID-19, meetings are currently being held virtually however once restrictions ease the Committee will meet quarterly at GCPHN offices in Robina or Gold Coast Health offices in Southport. Meetings will 1.5-2 hours dependant on the Agenda. Scheduled 2020 Meeting Dates (subject to change) are as follows:

- Thursday 17 September 2:00pm-3:00pm
- Thursday 26 November 2:00pm-3:00pm

### Remuneration

Remuneration rate:

- Meeting attendance: \$55.00/hr.

## Selection Process

To express interest please submit a short cover letter (no more than one page) on why you are interested and demonstrating your ability to meet the **Skills and attributes, Key Criteria and Commitment** mentioned above. Please email your cover letter to Michelle Rose at [MichelleR@gcphn.com.au](mailto:MichelleR@gcphn.com.au)

**Expression of Interest closes at 4:00pm on Tuesday 2 September 2020**

## Contact person

Questions regarding the process may be addressed to Michelle Rose by email [MichelleR@gcphn.com.au](mailto:MichelleR@gcphn.com.au) or phone (07) 5635 2455