

VICSERV'S MENTAL HEALTH CONFERENCE

Towards recovery: hope, innovation, co-design

In 2016 we invite you to join us to explore better outcomes for consumers, carers, staff and organisations, under the following key concepts:

Hope and recovery

The ways and benefits of how a hopeful future, and working in a hopeful way, contributes to recovery can be incorporated into the development of our services and demonstrated in our work place interactions.

Innovation

Including the fostering of creativity and positivity in the face of change, challenges conventional thinking, or processes, and champions beneficial, adaptive solutions.

Co-design

The possibilities of taking a collective approach to designing, developing and delivering solutions to achieve inclusion, effectiveness and innovative outcomes.

Peer-led

Examples and opportunities to work with and learn from our peers to achieve powerful and sustainable outcomes.

Transformation

How we can, and do, work to achieve a better future for people with mental illness, in systems and communities, including our thinking, practice, outcomes and options.

Empowerment/rights

Human rights as the basis of the work we do, and outcomes we work towards, including how we can influence and determine the direction of individual, system and organisational development.

These discussions will take into consideration the following key sector issues:

- the impact and opportunities in the NDIS
- the Victorian Government's Vision and implications of its 10 year mental health strategy
- the national mental health reform agenda
- service integration and coordination, including primary and clinical services
- consumer choice and control
- the carer experience
- the application of technology.

Registering for conference



Registration forms can be downloaded from our website conference.vicserv.org.au or are available on request by emailing conference@vicserv.org.au. Online booking will be available in early 2016.

Your conference registration includes:

- access to all workshops, presentations and events
- conference satchel
- conference program
- lunch, morning and afternoon tea.

REGISTRATION FEES

All fees contain GST except consumer and carer rates. Registrations close **11 May 2016**. Early bird registrations close **Wednesday 13 April 2016**.

Members	inc GST	Non-members	inc GST
Early bird - 1 day	\$310.00	Early bird - 1 day	\$465.00
Early bird - 2 day	\$600.00	Early bird - 2 day	\$780.00
1 day	\$350.00	1 day	\$500.00
2 day	\$670.00	2 day	\$920.00
Exhibitors per day	\$100.00	Exhibitors per day	\$150.00

Consumers & carers

1 day	\$90.00
2 day	\$160.00

Concession card holders & students

1 day	\$140.00
2 day	\$250.00

More about the consumer and carer delegate rates

These, heavily subsidised, conference rates are intended to support the attendance of consumers or carers, who are also concession card holders or on low income.

We acknowledge that many people employed by mental health service providers are also consumers of services or carers. However we ask that employers register those staff who are also consumers or carers at the relevant member, or non-member, rates. We also ask fully waged consumers or carers who are attending as personal or professional development, and who can afford to, to register at the relevant member or non-member rate.

Helping us in this way will allow us to continue to subsidise those people who would struggle to attend otherwise.

Cancellations and refunds

Full refunds for cancellations before 18 February 2016.

Cancellations between 17 February and 17 April 2016 will incur a cancellation fee of \$30 per day.

Cancellations between 18 April and 1 May 2016 will incur a cancellation fee of \$60 per day.

Cancellations from 2 May 2016 onwards will incur a cancellation fee of \$130 per day (consumers and carers \$90 for one day or \$160 for both days).

WE NEED TO LET YOU KNOW THAT:

- full payment, in Australian dollars, should accompany your registration form and that registrations can not be confirmed until payment has been received
- a limited number of subsidised registrations are available for consumers and carers so please book early if you need one of these places
- concession cardholders should show their cards when they collect their conference badge and program
- your registrations will be acknowledged on receipt of payment
- all registrations are subject to availability and acceptance by VICSERV.

EXHIBITION AND SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Conference sponsors have the unique opportunity to reach approximately 1000 delegates, over two days, from the mental health, NGO, community support, government, academic and allied health sectors.

A number of standard packages are available and we are also happy to discuss individually designed packages.



An invitation to join us at Australia's leading mental health conference



The biennial VICSERV conference sets the standard for Australian mental health conferences providing challenging content, provocative speakers and leading-edge thinking.

The **Towards recovery** conference will focus on how the mental health community is stronger in influencing how services are transformed, and fostering optimism and hope, when it is working together. As usual all parts of the mental health community are invited to participate.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON ALL PARTS OF THE TOWARDS RECOVERY CONFERENCE



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ABOUT VICSERV

VICSERV is the peak body representing community managed mental health services in Victoria. We envisage a society where mental health and social wellbeing are a national priority and pursue the development and reform of mental health services through a range of policy initiatives and events.

We also deliver accredited training and professional development for the community managed mental health workforce working within a recovery framework. Visit www.vicserv.org.au to find out more.



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