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General WACOSS News

WACOSS Submission to State Wage Case

WACOSS has submitted a submission to the WA Industrial Relations Commission in regards to the 2014 State Wage Case. For more information about the Submission please contact Chris Twomey on 9420 7222 or chris@wacoss.org.au. Please [click here](#) to view the submission.

WACOSS State and Federal Budget Analysis

WACOSS held its State & Federal Budget Briefing 2014-15 for the WACOSS Members on 13th May.

Copies of the presentation and background materials on our analysis are being sent out in a Special Members Update.

Please contact Carla on 9420 7222 or carla@wacoss.org.au for more information. Members can email carla@wacoss.org.au to request a copy of the Budget presentation papers.

MEDIA RELEASE: State Budget Neglects Energy and Housing Stress - Thu 8th May

The State Budget delivered today by Treasurer Mike Nahan does indeed follow the Premier's warning that there would be a little bit of Budget pain for everyone, but it is really those people living on low incomes that will be hurting.

The 2014-15 Budget is built on some sensible demand modelling that has seen appropriate funding increases to social services across health, child protection, disabilities and mental health, which are required to meet the growing population needs. [Read more...](#)

2014 WACOSS Conference Wrap-up

The Staff and Board of WACOSS would like to thank you all for attending the 2014 WACOSS Conference The Difference We Make and for contributing to the overall success of this event.

Now that you have had a week to reflect on your conference experience we strongly encourage you to submit your feedback through this short [evaluation survey](#).

The presentations from all keynote speakers and concurrent session presenters are available on the [website](#). In addition, notes from the conference sessions can be found [here](#) on DropIN, so hop on, share your learning, contribute to broader sector knowledge and continue discussions from the Conference.

You can now view the full suite of conference photos on the [photo gallery](#), including the glitz and glamour from the [Community Services Excellence Awards](#).

We would once again like to thank Major Sponsor Department of Local Government and Communities, Platinum Sponsor Department of the Premier and Cabinet, generous supporter Lotterywest and all the other conference [sponsors](#) and [exhibitors](#).

Winners announced in Community Service Excellence Awards - Wed 7th May

Seven wonderful community groups and one outstanding individual have been named as winners in the 2014 Community Service Excellence Awards for their dedication to improving the lives of hundreds of thousands West Australians.

Chosen from 32 finalists for exceptional creativity and innovation in servicing their communities, the winners are all well deserving of their category wins. [Click here](#) for information on all the winners.

2014 Community Service Excellence Awards Winners

- Fair Game Sports Equipment Incorporated – Fair Game WA Program, Derby
- Teach Learn Grow Inc – TLG Rural Program, Crawley
- The Nintirri Centre Inc, Tom Price
- Rise Network Inc – Kira House Project, Midland
- Geraldton Regional Community Education Centre Association Inc, Geraldton
- Avon Youth Community and Family Services Inc – 6510 Youth Program, Northam
- St Bartholomew's House Inc – Homeless for a Day Campaign, East Perth
- Esben Kaas-Sorensen, East Perth

Child and Parent Centres: An Update for the Community Sector – Mon 16th Jun

The next six Child and Parent Centres are underway. This forum will provide an opportunity for the community services sector to receive an update on the progress of all 16 centres. There will be discussions around the implementation of this initiative and key issues facing the centres. The program will include an update from the Department of Education (Garry Hewitt) and other providers which will allow opportunities to ask questions. The key note presentation will be presented by June McLoughlin the Director of Family and Children's Services at Doverton College in Victoria. The presentation will focus on the theme of 'Together We can make a Difference'. For more information about this event please [click here](#).

ACOSS National Conference 2014 - Wed 11th - Thu 12th Jun

Global problems, local solutions: Tackling inequality in Australia and beyond

The ACOSS National Conference connects people in the community sector and related industries to spark a conversation and promote action to address poverty and inequality in Australia. [Read more...](#)

WACOSS Training, Workshops and Seminars 2014

- [Developing your Community Organisation's Business Plan](#) - Thu 22nd May
- [Role of Chair and Running Meetings](#) - Thu 29th May (WEBINAR)
- [Work Health and Safety in the Community Services Sector](#) - Fri 30th May
- [Does your Constitution Need Updating?](#) - Wed 4th Jun (WEBINAR)
- [Introduction to Mindful Based Stress Reduction](#) - Thu 5th Jun
- [Managing Challenging Behaviours](#) – Fri 6th Jun
- [Foundations in Facilitation](#) - Wed 11th Jun
- [Developing a Productive Relationship with your Boss/Board](#) - Thu 12th Jun
- [Exploring Auspicing, Mergers & Acquisitions in the Community Services Sector](#) - Wed 18 Jun
- [Child and Parent Centres - An Update for the Community Sector](#) - Mon 16th Jun
- [Leading Teams](#) - Tue 24th Jun

- [Minute Taking & the Role of the Secretary](#) - Wed 25th Jun (WEBINAR)
- [Tools of Evaluation: An Overview of Methodologies](#) - Thur 26th Jun
- [Introduction to Management Support On-line \(MSO\)](#) - Wed 2nd Jul (WEBINAR)
- [Do you need a Board Charter?](#) - Thu 3rd Jul (WEBINAR)
- [Examples of Evaluation in Practice: How other agencies have done it](#) - Thu 17th Jul

Reconciliation WA

Sorry Day 2014 - Mon 26th May

Come along to this important event which commemorates the history of forcible removal of Aboriginal children and its effects on Aboriginal families and communities. This event is a beautiful and powerful demonstration of reconciliation in action.

School children will begin doing activities from 9:45am then the general public will be welcome to come to formal proceedings starting at 12:30pm. No need to RSVP just turn up on the day! [Click here](#) for more information.

Sector News

2015 Early Years Conference Request for help distributing PARENT survey

The Great Southern Early Years Network (GSEYN) is conducting research to find out what would be of interest for parents and carers at an Early Years Conference (birth to 8) to be held in Albany, Western Australia, in July 2015. 'Building Capacity' ... Growing our children together, and recognizes that raising children which is a shared responsibility of the whole community which is the theme for the conference being held in 2015. Please [click here](#) to take the survey. complete the survey as part of the research for finding what would motivate parents to attend and what the barriers could arise.

Intentional self-harm and suicidal behaviour in children – Call for Submissions

The National Children's Commissioner is examining how children and young people under 18 years can be better protected from intentional self-harm and suicidal behaviour. A Call for Submissions has been released, which outlines some key issues. For more information and to make a submission please visit www.humanrights.gov.au/ssh-in-children. Submissions will close on Mon 2nd Jun 2014.

Royal Commission calls for submissions on redress

schemes

The Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse today released an issues paper on the effectiveness of redress schemes in relation to child sexual abuse in institutions. Organisations and individuals wishing to respond to Issues Paper 6 have until Monday 2 June 2014 to lodge a submission. For more information on Issues Paper 6 or to lodge a submission visit www.childabuseroyalcommission.gov.au/our-work/issues-papers/

eMHPrac: What are your thoughts on e-mental health?

eMHPrac (e-Mental Health in Practice) is an Australian government funded project to promote the use of e-mental health resources in primary health care. The Centre for Mental Health Research at the Australian National University will be providing e-mental health support services and training for nurses and allied health workers. If you are working in primary health care, please let us know your thoughts about using online mental health resources by participating in the eMHPrac survey, [available here](#). For further information about eMHPrac, visit the website or contact Andrew Staniforth, eMHPrac Clinical Project Officer, ANU Centre for Mental Health Research, [e:andrew.staniforth@anu.edu.au](mailto:e.andrew.staniforth@anu.edu.au). **eMHPrac is funded by the Australian Government**

2014 Resilient Australia Awards

Natural disasters are a feature of the Australian climate and landscape and are likely to continue with increasing regularity and severity. Nationwide, there are numerous projects and initiatives supporting communities to be better prepared and more disaster resilient. The Resilient Australia Awards recognise and promote these activities, encouraging excellence and innovation across all sectors of society. [Click here](#) for more information

Learn online with Linkwest's self-paced learning

Thinking of becoming a mentor?

Do you have skills, knowledge and experience that you want to share in order to help someone become the person they want to be? If so, you may want to consider being a mentor. [Read more...](#)

Free e-mental health services online training

A new online learning package from ReachOut.com Professionals provides free, CPD endorsed training for using e-mental health services in support work with young people. [Read more...](#)

Sector Events

Upcoming events for angelhands for May

Hope and Healing Evening - Thu 22nd May

angelhands would like to invite you to come be part of our Hope and Healing Evening in May. The Hope and Healing program provides the opportunity for people, who have experienced being a victim of crime, to come together to learn techniques and strategies on how to master our different trauma symptoms. Hope and Healing will include holistic and therapeutic alternative workshops and activities. [Click here](#) for more information.

"A Girls Day Out" Movie Fundraiser - Sun 25th May

A jubilant, heartfelt musical about the power of home, the hearth, family and love. It is the tale of one tight-knit family, and the three couples bound to it, as they experience the joys and heartache that punctuate all relationships. And they do it all while singing to the euphoric music of The Proclaimers. Click here for more information

Forum Invitation- How Are We Protecting Children? - Mon 26th May

Through case presentations:

- Hear about the new child interview model used by the WA Police Child Assessment and Interview Team.
- Learn more about the role of the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions for WA when children are involved in the criminal court process.
- Hear about the model of child advocacy used by George Jones Child Advocacy Centre to support children through the entire process.
- Hear how the Child Witness Service (CWS) assists children and young people who may need to give evidence in court.

[Click here](#) for more information

Building children's resilience the focus for 2014 Thinker in Residence - 19th - 30th May

International child resilience expert Michael Ungar returns to Perth from 19 to 30 May as the 2014 Thinker in Residence for the Commissioner for Children and Young People. [Click here](#) to read more.

Collective Impact and Creating Shared Value – Tue 27th and Wed 28th May

Woodside, The University of WA and the Centre for Social Impact will be hosting Mark Kramer, the founder of FSG Social Impact Advisors to discuss Collective Impact and Creating Shared Value.

On Tue 27th May from 6pm-7pm Mark will present 'Collective Impact: Reimagining Social Change' where he will discuss how deep commitment and structured coordinated action can affect large-scale social change. [Click here](#) to register.

On Wed 28th May from 11:45am-2pm, the topic will be 'Creating Shared Value: aligning economic and social progress' with discussions around how business can foster social progress in communities in which they operate while also enhancing their own competitiveness through shared value creation. [Click here](#) to register.

Carers Research Symposium 2014 - Thu 29th May

The Carers Advisory Council is pleased to present the Carers Research Symposium 2014 on Thursday, 29 May 2014 9.30am – 12.00pm. The Symposium will feature speakers from Curtin University, Carers WA and the Independent Living Centre's Carelink and Respite Centre. Health and disability services professionals, providers of carer services, academics, carers and interested persons are invited to attend. For more information [click here](#) to download the flyer, or visit: www.dlqc.wa.gov.au/carers or contact Jo Brooker on 6551 8320 or Jo.Brooker@dlqc.wa.gov.au.

The Resilience Doughnut – professional training presented by CLAN WA – Thu 29th May

Based on the Strengths Approach, the Resilience Doughnut identifies what is working well in a person's life. Working with the Resilience Doughnut model has the potential to strengthen the human spirit and build a sense of hope and optimism. This is a creative, fun and practical tool for change.

Please [click here](#) for more details or contact us on training@aclanwa.com.au if you have any questions or would like to register.

Relationships Australia present The next steps: Working with fathers and families to support safe, positive fathering – Thu 29th May

Fathers have a significant and long-lasting impact on the lives and development of their children and engaging fathers in parenting intervention is important. However, services find it a challenge to work successfully with fathers who often don't participate in programs or feel alienated from the process.

This one-day workshop by Andrew Kind will explore the importance of the fathers' role and how programs can engage and support them. [Click here](#) for more information.

2014 Anglicare WA Corporate Winter Breakfast - Fri 13th June

An Economic Future for WA – the Role of the Federal Government

The Western Australian economy is entering a transitional period. The "mining boom" with its focus on exploration and construction is being replaced by a more operational phase, and the revenue raising and bilateral arrangements between Federal and State Governments are up for review. With its pivotal role in the economic engine of the country, what lies in the future for Western Australia? Featuring Guest Speaker Hon Mathias Cormann, Federal Minister for Finance. [Click here](#) for more information

Inaugural LASA WA Conference & Exhibition on Sun 15th – Tue 17th June

Leading Age Services – Western Australia invite you to attend the Inaugural LASA WA Conference & Exhibition on Sunday 15 – Tuesday 17 June at the Esplanade Hotel Fremantle.

Over the three days, under the theme Prepare Today. Own Tomorrow, they will explore areas of critical importance to the industry such as the effects of the Living Longer. Living Better aged care reform package, CDC, workforce, current research and innovation in age services. The LASA WA Conference offers attendees a comprehensive 2.5 day program, an exciting social program and a trade exhibition showcasing the latest products, services and industry innovations. [Click here](#) for more information.

Curtin University Behaviour Change Communication Short Course: Mon 7th - Thu 10th July

Do you want to communicate effective health messages that change people's behaviour? Would you like to find out about social marketing? Are you interested in developing and testing health messages for maximum impact? This course will enable you to effectively plan, develop, pre-test, implement and evaluate behaviour change communication programs. Participants will be led through an engaging program using discussion, videos, case studies, lectures and group work. [Click here](#) for more information

Opening Closets Mental Health Training

Living Proud LGBTI Community Services of WA and the Mental Health Commission present Opening Closets Mental Health Training.

For more information on the course click the links below

- [FREE Opening Closets Mental Health Training](#)
- [Specialist Opening Closets Mental Health Training](#)

RFWA Mental Health Training - Join The Journey June 2014

Richmond Fellowship WA (RFWA), presents:

- Mental Health Expert Ron Coleman in Working with Male Survivors of Sexual Abuse |11 or 12 June |9:00am-4:30pm|32 Burton St, Cannington.
- Recovery Champions 5 Day Training. This program will assist agencies to implement recovery based practice and support the integration of Recovery concepts. |16- 20 June |9:00am-4:30pm*|32 Burton St, Cannington. * Start and Finish times vary, please contact RFWA for further details

RFWA is a leading Mental Health agency and key provider of evidence based training in Recovery oriented approaches and practice. To find out more about individual sessions and bookings visit our website www.rfwa.org.au and choose the 'TRAINING' tab or contact us direct - Ph: 08 9350 8800

Anglicare WA professional development workshops and customised training

Anglicare WA delivers events, professional development workshops and customised training for human services organisations across WA. Upcoming 2014 events and workshops;

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- Dealing with Sexually Disinhibited Behaviours (30 May 2014)
- Assessments and Interventions for Perpetrators of Domestic Violence (17-18 June 2014)
- Advanced Case Management with Multi-Problem Clients (25 June 2014)

Please [click here](#) for more details, or contact us on training@anglicarewa.org.au if you have any questions or would like to register.

It's not too late to study in 2014

Would you like to up-skill or have your existing skills formally recognised? Would you like to study one of the following, Vet FEE-HELP Courses in 2014?

Get a head start and commence your study in 2014 in one of the following nationally recognised qualifications:

- Advanced Diploma of Transpersonal (Holistic) Counselling
- Advanced Diploma of Transpersonal Art Therapy

[Click here](#) for more information.

LASA WA State Conference & Exhibition 2014 - Sun 15th-

Tue 17th June

The LASA WA Conference offers attendees a comprehensive 2.5 day program, an exiting social program and a trade exhibition showcasing the latest products, services and industry innovations. [Click here](#) for more information.

YACWA Fairground Conference Thu 10th and Fri 11th Jul

YACWA's Fairground conference will take place on 10th and 11th July 2014 in Perth, Western Australia. The conference theme is 'Fairground' and represents an opportunity to encourage social inclusion through the continued development of an even playing field for young people across Western Australia. Registrations for Fairground 2014 are now open - for more information please visit <http://www.yacwa.org.au/fairground2014/>

The Mental Health Services Conference (TheMHS) - 26th-29th Aug 2014

Join the discussion in 2014 at one of Australasia's longest running and premier mental health conferences. TheMHS Conference 2014 will be held in the Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre on 26-29 August 2014. This year's theme is "What We Share Makes Us Strong" and the conference will explore topics relating to real, on the ground experience.

TheMHS Conference is very excited to welcome Dr Pat Bracken, Clinical Director of the Mental Health Service in West Cork, Ireland, and Melody Riefer, Senior Associate and Director in Training at Pat Deegan, PhD & Associates, as Keynote Speakers in Perth. Registrations are now open. [Click here](#) for more information.

Better Boards Conference August 2014

Australasia's leading governance and leadership event, the Better Boards Conference, is taking place in Adelaide, August 1-3 2014.

Designed specifically for board members, CEOs and senior management teams of non-profit organisations across the entire sector, this year's conference theme focuses on the processes required to regenerate non-profit organisations within a rapidly changing environment. [Click here](#) to find out more.

[Community Sector Jobs Board](#)

The following positions are currently advertised on the WACOSS/ANSON Community Jobs Board. [Click here](#) to view the vacancies in full.

- [YMCA - Facility Manager](#)

- [Pilbara Community Legal Service Inc. - Principal Solicitor](#)
- [Women's Law Centre - Managing Solicitor](#)
- [Vital Conversations - Pyschologist](#)
- [Womens Health & Family Services - AOD Service Coordinator](#)
- [Anglicare WA - General Manager](#)
- [Anglicare WA - Support Worker](#)
- [Community First - Mental Health Recovery Worker](#)
- [Centrecare - Team Leader](#)
- [Hepatitis WA - Prison Education Officer \(Casual\)](#)

If you would like to advertise your vacancies on the WACOSS/ANSON Community Jobs page please contact John Broweleit at ANSON at jbroweleit@anson.com.au

Associate Member Promotion

Beyond Bank Australia

Beyond Bank is committed to the community, to giving something back to those who help others.

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