



Key Themes from Tuesdays with Nexus **9 March 2021 - 9.30am**

25 people attended this session – Thank you for your participation.

Presenter:

Chris Hynan- Nexus Dual Diagnosis Service/VDDI
Gary Croton- VDDI- Hume Region

Reflections on the Royal Commission report into Victoria's Mental Health System
Find report in link below

<https://finalreport.rcvmhs.vic.gov.au/download-report/>

Excellent short summary by VAADA around AOD/IC related recommendations see link below

https://www.vaada.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/LET_Mental-Health-Royal-Commission-Report-Summary_02032021.pdf

Chris Hynan and Gary Croton- VDDI

Chris and Gary discussed some of the key chapters that relate to Dual Diagnosis and as reported in the Royal Commission, Co-occurring mental health and substance use/addiction.

Chapter 7,8,11,22, 35 and 36

Some highlights to note.

- Emergency department initiative to have dual diagnosis capable beds available in each region- 24/7 staffed by AOD/MH multidisciplinary teams.
- The assurance that all MH services will provide integrated treatment/multi-disciplinary teams (but not yet specified how).
- Consumers will not be excluded for having co-occurring substance use issues from MH services.
- The VDDI will be replaced by a state wide service that will provide research, education, training and consultation (but not yet specified who/how yet).



- Increase in addiction specialists across Victoria
- Addiction workforce report from the department will be coming out over the next few weeks (watch this space)

https://finalreport.rcvmhs.vic.gov.au/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/RCVMHS_FinalReport_Summary_PlainLanguage.pdf

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Families, carers and supporters, informal supports, virtual communities, and communities of place, identity and interest

Broad range of government and community services

Primary and secondary mental health and related services

Local Mental Health and Wellbeing Services

Area Mental Health and Wellbeing Services

Statewide services

Regional Mental Health and Wellbeing Boards

Resources Shared:

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'Tuesdays with Nexus' –

Date: Tuesday's – 23/3/2021

Start time: 9.30 am – VIC

Focus of the 2021 sessions will focus on the MH Royal Commission recommendations as well as Inter-service/agency reports and reflections.