

Membership Information

The Mental Health Coordinating Council (MHCC) is the peak body for the community managed mental health sector in NSW.

MHCC works with our members, consumers and carers, governments and other stakeholders to strengthen our sector and improve mental health service delivery, so that together we can contribute to improved outcomes for people with mental health problems.

MHCC provides advocacy on behalf of our sector to both State and Commonwealth Governments and their agencies, and provides resources and support to our members to increase capacity and develop the sector workforce.

Our major funder is NSW Health.

Our members

Over 250 organisations, branches and individuals are members of MHCC. Our members provide a range of services – not just direct mental health support but a broad spectrum of human services where mental health issues are an important aspect of service delivery.

Services provided by our members include:

- Accommodation support and outreach
- Employment and education
- Leisure and recreation
- Family support and carers' programs
- Self-help and peer support
- Helpline and counselling services
- Information, advocacy and promotion

Find out more about us, our submissions, programs, projects and resources at www.mhcc.org.au

Our principles

MHCC is committed to the principles of recovery and is guided by the lived experience of consumers and carers in all its endeavours.

- Good mental health is about the whole person: their psychological, physical, emotional and spiritual needs
- Social inclusion, including secure and stable housing, close personal relationship and meaningful work or other activity, assists recovery
- Input from consumers, their families and carers is central to the promotion of mental health and the delivery and management of services
- Communities need to provide a range of mental health services designed to meet local needs
- An across-governmental approach to mental health promotion and service delivery is required.

Why become a member?

- Have greater impact through collaboration
- Access practical support – training, resources, grants and discounts for members
- Inform and stay informed – MHCC keeps you up-to-date with newsletters, forums and conferences.
- Have access to a range of current research, including information on recovery-oriented and evidence-based practices.
- Direct and drive the sector – have a say in what MHCC does

How do I join?

To apply for membership, please complete the form below and submit it to MHCC. All applications are considered by the Board and an invoice will be issued upon approval. For organisations, fees are calculated according to income/funding and membership is renewable on a yearly basis.

Membership categories

Organisations

- Ordinary Members include not-for-profit Non Government Organisations (NGOs) whose business or activity is wholly or in part to promote the welfare and rehabilitation of people with mental health problems.
- Associate Members include organisations with an interest in mental health (eg. Divisions of GPs, Area Health Services).
- Branch Members are branches or departments of Ordinary or Associate Members.

Individuals

- Subscription Members are individuals with an interest in the mental health NGO sector in NSW.

Entitlements

- All Members can access MHCC services and discounts.
- Only Ordinary Members have voting rights at MHCC general meetings and the right to nominate a Delegate to the Board.

Membership fees

Organisation income	Fee (Inc GST)
Under \$1,000	\$50 <input type="checkbox"/>
\$1,001 - \$100,000	\$100 <input type="checkbox"/>
\$100,001 - \$250,000	\$150 <input type="checkbox"/>
\$250,001 - \$500,000	\$250 <input type="checkbox"/>
\$500,001 - \$1M	\$350 <input type="checkbox"/>
\$1M - \$2M	\$450 <input type="checkbox"/>
\$2M - \$5M	\$550 <input type="checkbox"/>
\$5M+	\$750 <input type="checkbox"/>
Branch	\$50 <input type="checkbox"/>
Subscription (individual)	\$50 <input type="checkbox"/>

Membership application

Name of organisation/individual:

Address:

Phone: Fax:

Email: Website:

I/the above organisation wish/es to apply for membership of MHCC.

An invoice will be issued upon approval by MHCC Board

For applications for Ordinary Membership only:

We nominate as our Delegate* to MHCC

We nominate as our Alternative Delegate* to MHCC

Signature: Name:

Position in organisation: Date:

* The Delegate is the organisation's nominated person who is entitled to attend and vote at General Meetings of MHCC. A Delegate is also eligible for election to the Board. The Alternative Delegate is entitled to attend and vote at all General Meetings where the Delegate is not present.

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