

## **Drug and Alcohol Interagency Strategic Framework for Western Australia 2011-2015**

### **DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL ANNUAL REPORT 2013/14**

In support of the *Drug and Alcohol Interagency Strategic Framework for Western Australia 2011-2015*, and to address a range of existing and emerging alcohol and other drug issues, the Department of the Attorney General has identified a number of key initiatives for 2013/14. Outcomes are summarised below in the respective key strategic areas of the Framework.

#### **Key Strategy Area 1: Intervening before problems become entrenched**

Implementing a range of programs and services that identify individuals, families and communities at-risk and intervening before problems become entrenched.

#### Highlights for 2013/14:

- Continued operation and support of the Perth Children's Court Drug Court incorporating the Youth Supervised Treatment Intervention Regime (YSTIR);
- Continued promotion of, and support for, the Presentence Opportunity Program (POP) as an early intervention for offenders who have emerging drug related problems; and
- Assisted with the implementation and ongoing delivery of the extension of POP to include offenders who are experiencing alcohol related problems within the metropolitan area.

#### **Key Strategy Area 2: Effective treatment and support services**

Providing integrated, evidence based treatment and support services that promote positive and healthy lifestyle changes by effectively responding to an individual's use and those affected by someone else's use.

#### Highlights for 2013/14:

- Ongoing and continued support for the delivery of the WA Diversion Program (POP/ YSTIR/ STIR/IDP) throughout the Magistrates Court of Western Australia;
- Ongoing and continued support for the Perth Drug Court and the Perth Children's Court Drug Court in providing access to intensive treatment regimes for offenders with serious drug related problems;
- Continued to engage justice stakeholders in promoting the WA Diversion Program; and
- Continued to foster opportunities for drug treatment programs to be available within other specialist courts such as the START Court and Family Violence Courts.

### **Key Strategy Area 3: Strategic coordination and capacity building**

Providing improved and targeted responses to alcohol and other drug related problems through capacity building, workforce development, collaboration, and evidence based practice, monitoring and information dissemination.

#### Highlights for 2013/14:

- Continued to deliver the POP Program within Family Violence Courts as well as the STIR Program at selected Family Violence Courts;
- Continued the delivery of Aboriginal Justice Program Open Days throughout the north of Western Australia;
- Continued to administer the Property Confiscation Grants Program which provides support for targeted activities designed to prevent or reduce drug related problems; and
- Continued to support the *Drug and Alcohol Interagency Strategic Framework for Western Australia 2011-15*