

This is an opportunity for your organisation to contribute to the development of health promotion priorities for 2007 – 2012.

The Department of Human Services Rural and Regional Health and Aged Care Services Division (DHS RRHACS) and the Victorian Health Promotion Foundation (VicHealth) are hosting a series of consultations across the state to develop health promotion priorities for 2007 – 2012.

Participation in this consultation will provide your organisation with the opportunity to input in to the process of defining the HP priorities for 2007-2012. It will also tell DHS RRHACS and VicHealth what is needed to better support your practice in embracing these priorities in an evidence based way. This is a real opportunity for your organisation to influence practice and policy at a statewide level.

VicHealth is currently developing their 2006-2009 strategic plan and will aim to align the consultation outcomes. DHS RRHACS division will use this information to better support evidence based practice both centrally and through the organisations that they fund.

A discussion paper has been developed to support this process and the consultation discussion will be structured around it. This discussion paper is attached. For those unable to attend one of the sessions but would like to make a written submission please see the discussion paper for details. This paper is downloadable from <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/healthpromotion>

Effective priority setting is essential to health promotion practice

How does your organisation set health promotion priorities? Are there processes defined to effectively set health promotion priorities between organisations?

There are various frameworks for determining health promotion priorities. These consultation workshops will be designed to demonstrate one such framework for determining priority areas for action.

Tea, Coffee and Lunch will be provided

Where and When

Date	Time	Where
Tuesday February 21	Registration 9:45 10 – 2pm including lunch	Quality Inn Latrobe Convention Centre 5601 Princes Highway Traralgon
Monday March 6	Registration 9:45 10 – 2pm including lunch	Foundry Hotel Complex 366 High Street Bendigo
Thursday March 9	Registration 9:45 10 – 2pm including lunch	Sandown Regency Melbourne 477 Princes Highway Noble Park
Friday March 10 Please note priority will be given to statewide organisations	Registration 9:45 10 – 2pm including lunch	VicHealth 15-31 Pelham Street Carlton
Thursday March 30	Registration 9:45 10 – 2pm including lunch	Doherty Ballarat Lodge 613 Main Road Ballarat
Friday March 31	Registration 9:45 10 – 2pm including lunch	Darebin Arts and Entertainment Centre Corner Bell and St Georges Road Preston
Monday April 3	Registration 9:45 10 – 2pm including lunch	The Victoria Hotel 42 Bank Street Corner Bank and James Streets Port Fairy
Thursday April 6	Registration 9:45 10 – 2pm including lunch	Elizabethan Lodge 604 – 610 Middleborough Road Blackburn North
Wednesday April 12	Registration 9:45 10 – 2pm including lunch	Department of Sustainability and Environment 89 Sydney Road Benalla
Thursday April 13 Please note there will be the PCP meeting prior to this	10:30 – 12.30pm	Sunraysia Community Health Services, Ramsay Court, (Off 10th St) Mildura

In most cases (not on March 10 and April 13) these sessions will be preceded by an information session on the new Mental health promotion evidence based resource (2-4pm). Further information regarding these will be circulated as this is finalised. Please register your interest in attending one of the consultations and/or the information session for the mental health promotion resource at least one week prior to the scheduled date by contacting Theresa Fernandes.

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Vegetarian and non-vegetarian options will be provided

For any other information please contact:

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