

# 2015-16 Budget Estimates Hearing

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# Setting the context

- The mental health portfolio is an important contributor to the broader focus on joining up services to address disadvantage
- Investments supporting some services working with the most complex and vulnerable clients
- Role of community also recognised

# 2015-16 Budget Highlights – Overview

The 2015-16 State Budget is focussed on:

- Delivering on our election commitments
- Putting Victorian families first by investing in the services they depend on
- Prioritising investments to address growth in demand for mental health and drugs services and reversing recent under-investment

The 2015-16 Budget has delivered:

- Almost \$112 million in mental health program initiatives
- \$6 million of new investment in capital projects
- \$26 million for the Drug Services component of the Ice Action Plan

## 2015-16 Budget highlights – election commitments

- \$5 million over four years to reinstate funding for mental health community support organisations including centres run by:
  - Prahran Mission;
  - St Mary's House of Welcome; and
  - Jesuit Social Services

to support people with complex social and mental health issues.

- \$1 million to progress planning and development for Orygen Youth Mental Health
- \$10 million over four years to reduce occupational violence in mental health care settings
- \$500,000 over four years for community ice action groups

# 2015-16 Budget highlights – mental health

## Funding

- \$88.1 million over four years to meet clinical services demand.
- \$8.3 million over two years for the National Disability Insurance Scheme trial in Barwon.

## Re-funded lapsing programs

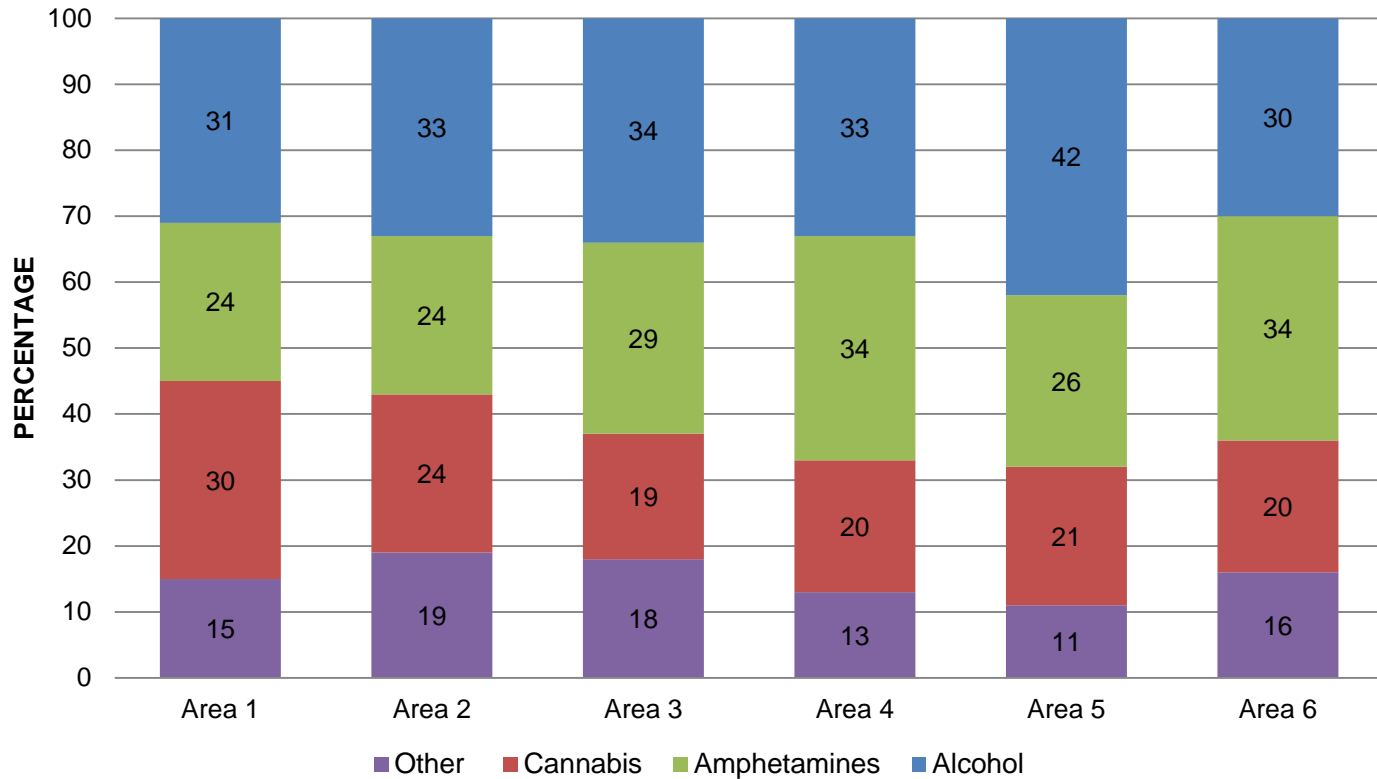
- \$5.9 million over four years for prevention of self harm and suicide for same sex attracted and gender diverse people.
- \$4.4 million over four years to strengthen responses to young people with eating disorders.

## Asset Initiatives

- \$5.0 million in 2015-16 for renewal of mental health facilities.

# Changing patterns of drug use

**REGIONAL INTAKE CLIENTS BY PRIMARY DRUG OF CONCERN  
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# Ice Action Plan

- Premier's Ice Action Plan - a \$45.5 million package over four years spanning multiple portfolios across Government includes:
- \$19.5 million of complementary investment in Justice initiatives:
  - \$4.5 million for expansion of Victoria Police's forensic analysis and
  - \$15 million for new drug and booze buses.
- \$26 million over four years for health and human services initiatives:
  - \$4.6 million in additional support for families.
  - \$18.2 million to expand drug treatment services.
  - \$1.8 million to enhance the capacity of Needle and Syringe Programs.
  - \$1 million for training and supervision for workers.
  - \$500,000 to establish Community Ice Action Groups.