

## **OUR VISION**

All South Australians affected by mental illness are receiving the support they need to live well in the community.

## **OUR MISSION**

To influence the development, range and responsiveness of services to support people affected by mental illness by:

- Working to reduce stigma and increase an understanding of mental illness and its prevention
- Representing and working with the community mental health service sector (non-government) to support people affected by mental illness
- Promoting and building the role of the community mental health service sector (non-government).

## **VALUE STATEMENT**

We believe in the inherent value and dignity of each individual and the right to self-determination, citizenship and social justice.

### **Membership Fees Ordinary Members**

Annual membership fees are calculated on a sliding scale according to the organisation's gross income in the previous year.

<b>Annual Income</b>	<b>Fee (inc GST)</b>	
Up to \$25,000	\$25	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$25,001-\$100,000	\$60	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$100,001-\$500,000	\$145	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$500,001-\$1,000,000	\$240	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$1,000,001-\$2,500,000	\$600	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$2,500,001-\$5,000,000	\$725	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$5,000,001-\$10,000,000	\$1090	<input type="checkbox"/>
Over \$10,000,000	\$1500	<input type="checkbox"/>

### **Payment Options**

Payment can be made by cash, cheque or EFT to: BSB: 633-000 A/C 125 251 785, Bendigo Bank or an invoice can be sent to you.

### **The Objectives of the Mental Health Coalition of South Australia are to:**

- 1. Counter prejudice against people with mental illness**
  - by facilitating strategies to raise community awareness and reduce stigma
- 2. Advocate for people affected by mental illness by participating in State and Commonwealth government:**
  - policy development
  - planning
  - service development including legislative reform
- 3. Advocate for appropriate types and supply of psychiatric disability support to assist recovery**
- 4. Enhance the effectiveness and quality of psychiatric disability support services delivered by the NGO Mental Health sector by:**
  - improving the capacity of member organisations to assist in the recovery of people affected by mental illness and psychiatric disability
  - promoting the use of evidence-based practice and outcome based service standards in the sector
  - coordinating and facilitating education and research
  - promoting effective early intervention and education in service delivery to people affected by mental illness
  - encouraging membership networking in promotion, marketing, funding, research and development matters
  - encouraging partnerships between clinical, PDS and mainstream service providers
- 5. Generally to do all such acts, matters and things to enter into and to make such agreements as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of any of the objectives of the Coalition.**



## **APPLICATION**

For **Ordinary Membership** of the  
Mental Health Coalition  
of South Australia Inc.

The Mental Health Coalition of SA is the peak body  
for mental health in South Australia.

Phone: 08 8212 8873  
Web: [www.mhcsa.org.au](http://www.mhcsa.org.au)  
ABN: 94 442 874 412

### Benefits of Ordinary Membership

- Supporting the MHCSA to provide a strong voice for the community managed mental health services sector
- Opportunity to be elected to the Board
- Receiving regular electronic updates and Information
- Opportunity to promote your organisation through MHCSA website and activities
- Input into our mental health sector policy and advocacy work
- Participation in workshops and forums
- Networking opportunities
- Membership discounts for specified MHCSA events and training.

### Essential Criteria for Ordinary Membership

#### Applicant

- is an incorporated, not for profit, community based, non-government organization
- demonstrates effective consumer/carer participation practices within their organisation in South Australia
- is committed to promoting the wellbeing of people affected by a mental illness or psychiatric disability
- subscribes to the objectives of the MHCSA
- agrees to abide by the MHCSA's Code of Conduct
- receives government funding to provide services in South Australia specifically targeted at assisting mental health consumers and/or carers
- Applications must be supported by referee reports from two current ordinary members of the MHCSA
- Membership will not be granted to an organisation which, in the opinion of the Board, may injure or prejudice the character or interests of the MHCSA or bring it into disrepute.

### Applicant Details

Organisation: .....  
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Nominated Representative:  
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Position: .....  
Address: .....  
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..... Postcode: .....  
Phone: ..... Fax: .....  
Email: .....  
Website: .....

### Alternate Representative

(if nominated representative is unavailable)

Name: .....  
Phone: ..... Fax: .....  
Email: .....

### Referee Details (must be ordinary members of MHCSA)

#### Referee 1 Name: .....

Organisation: .....  
Phone: ..... Fax: .....  
Email: .....

#### Referee 2 Name: .....

Organisation: .....  
Phone: ..... Fax: .....  
Email: .....

**Is the organisation an incorporated, not for profit community based non-government entity?** YES / NO

**Does the organisation receive government funding to provide services in South Australia specifically targeted at assisting mental health consumers and/or carers?** YES / NO

**Please attach or provide a link to your :**  
Constitution Attached   
Latest Annual Report Attached

**Please attach further information to show:**  
• how the organisation contributes to improving the wellbeing of people with mental illness and/or psychiatric disability Attached   
• how it demonstrates effective consumer/ carer participation practices. Attached

### Application Assessment Process

Applications are assessed against the essential criteria. Membership is granted if approved by a two thirds majority of the Board. Applicants are advised of the outcome in writing; feedback will be provided on request.

<p><b>Pledge</b></p> <p>I: ..... (Name of Nominated Representative)</p> <p>of..... (Name of Organisation )</p> <p>agree to be bound by the rules of the Constitution of the Mental Health Coalition of South Australia Inc., endorse its objectives, as set out overleaf, and agree to work cooperatively to achieve these objectives.</p> <p>I agree that I will not act in a way that may injure or prejudice the character or interests of the MHCSA or bring it into disrepute.</p> <p>I have read and agree to abide by the Code of Conduct for Members. (Available on Website)</p> <p>Signature: ..... Date: .....</p>
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