

Application for Membership

If you would like to join the National Network please complete the following details:

Name Mr/Mrs/Ms/Dr	
Address	
State	Postcode
Fax	
Email	

Please tick and sign the following as applicable:

- Individual Family
- Friend of the National Network
- I give my permission to use my email for the purposes of information and newsletter distribution.

Signature
Date

Tear off this portion and return to:

National Network of Private Psychiatric
Sector Consumers and Carers
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Driving Change

What is the National Network?

The *National Network of Private Psychiatric Sector Consumers and Carers (National Network)* was formed in 2002 to promote the interests of members of the community requiring private mental health services.

The vision of the *National Network* is to promote effective advocacy as the driving force behind all changes in mental health services delivered in private sector settings.

The *National Network* is an integral part of key policy and decision making processes affecting many Australians.

The *National Network* provides a strong voice for consumers, their families and the community.

In sharing the experience of mental health problems, the *National Network* addresses common issues and encourages people to seek help.

What does the National Network do?

Advocates for improved private mental health services.

Advises on issues which affect people with a mental health problem or mental illness and their families.

Increases the involvement of individuals, families and other interested parties in mental health matters.

Builds and enhances relationships with all mental health providers, funders and users.

Develops links with professional bodies to improve services.

Ensures responsiveness and accountability to the rights and needs of those people and their families affected by a mental health problem or mental illness.

Facilitates and encourages awareness and education about mental health issues.

Encourages support for mental and physical wellbeing.

Your support will make a difference!

Join us! With your support the National Network provides a vehicle for advocacy that empowers community members to participate and drive change.

As members you will have:

- an effective body that can confidently speak out to address issues and concerns on your behalf
- email access to information on mental health matters
- an email newsletter
- a linked website detailing activities of the National Network's meetings

Membership is currently free & open to:

Individuals - people who have or are experiencing a mental health problem.

Families - people whose lives are or have been affected by virtue of their close association with someone experiencing mental health problems.

Friend of the National Network - people who have an interest in mental health services delivered within private sector settings.

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