# Conference funding boosts AOD sector

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Nine organisations and 11 individuals from across Australia are the successful recipients of a national conference funding program designed to strengthen the alcohol and other drugs (AOD) sector in Australia. Funded by the Australian Government Department of Health and Ageing, the Conference Funding Program provides both conference sponsorship funding to the value of $10,000 to provide limited financial assistance to support conferences and events in related areas as well as individual scholarships to the value of $2,000. The program aims to promote the understanding of national issues in prevention, service improvement and early intervention in AOD misuse, promote debate on AOD issues and support the delivery of conferences with an AOD focus. The program is managed by the Foundation for Alcohol Research and Education (FARE) on behalf of the Department of Health and Ageing. FARE Chief Executive Michael Thorn congratulated the successful applicants and recognised the Department’s efforts in providing valuable funding to the Sector. “The Alcohol and Other Drugs Conference Funding Program is an important investment in the alcohol and other drugs sector. It is both an acknowledgement of the valuable work being carried out throughout this country by sector researchers and workers, but also recognition of the value in continuing to build on the sector’s existing capacity by providing opportunities to debate important issues and to share knowledge and expertise,” Mr Thorn said.

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