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# Call for Expressions of Interest

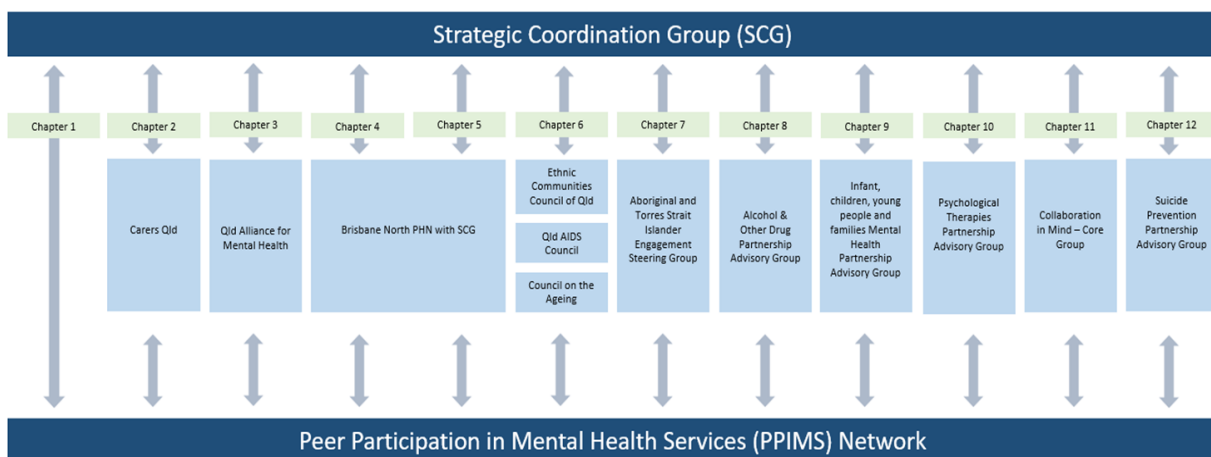
## Representatives

### People with a Lived Experience Advocating Strategic Engagement (PLEASE) Partnership Group

We are seeking expressions of interest from people with a lived/living experience to join the People with a Lived Experience Advocating Strategic Engagement (**PLEASE**) Partnership Group. The PLEASE Partnership Group, has responsibility to oversee the implementation of Chapter 1 of [Planning for Wellbeing Regional Plan, Brisbane North, 2018-2023](#) (The Regional Plan), which is sponsored by Brisbane North PHN (the PHN) and Metro North Hospital and Health Service (HHS).

The Regional Plan represents the shared vision, priorities, objectives and actions developed collectively by the PHN, the HHS and a large group of stakeholders, including people with a lived/living experience, across the Brisbane North region. The plan identifies needs and gaps and aims to reduce duplication, remove inefficiencies and encourage innovation. It is a vital resource for local service providers, together with the HHS, the PHN and state government, to support the integrated delivery of mental health, suicide prevention and drug and alcohol treatment services (MHAOD) in the community

A number of partnership groups exist to develop and implement individual Chapters of the Regional Plan, each with their own focus area (e.g., suicide prevention, alcohol and other drug treatment services, severe and complex mental illness). The PLEASE partnership group is responsible for the implementation of [Chapter 1: People with Lived Experience Leading Change](#). The partnership groups provide updates on implementation progress to the Strategic Coordination Group (SCG) of the Brisbane North PHN and are able to escalate issues to the SCG, particularly 'whole of system' issues. Membership of each partnership group is determined by stakeholder interest and always includes representatives from the community with a lived/living experience.



Representation is sought from people in the community:

- who have a lived/living experience (consumers and carers) and have a working knowledge of the Regional Plan, or who have the capacity to quickly acquire such knowledge;
- live and/or work in the Brisbane North region
- representatives from service providers and community organisations and/or people with knowledge of commissioned service providers; and
- a broad spectrum of representatives is sought, including Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander, culturally diverse and/or LGBTIQ+ communities.

**An understanding of the issues that present to people with a lived/living experience within the region is essential.**

Meetings will be held from 1pm to 3pm on the first Tuesday of the month. i.e. 5 July 2022, 2 August 2022, 6 September 2022, 4 October 2022, 8 November 2022, 6 December 2022, 7 February 2023, 7 March 2023, 4 April 2023, 2 May 2023 & 6 June 2023.

Representatives will need to make a commitment to attend at least 7 of the above meetings and will be expected to complete both pre and post meeting work.

This is a paid position, as follows:

- pre-meeting (preparation/reading): \$40/hr (max 2 hours)
- meeting attendance: \$50/hr
- designated post-meeting work: \$50/hr.

In addition, travel to and from meetings will be reimbursed at 0.72 cents/km.

At present, meetings are held via Microsoft Teams due to COVID restrictions. This will be reassessed post June 2022 and members will be notified of the outcome. All in person meetings will be held at PHN's Lutwyche Office.

Please see following pages on how to apply.

Expressions of Interest should be received by **5pm on Friday 3 June 2022** by emailing with the subject heading, "EOI PLEASE Partnership Group". For further information please contact Paula Arro at [paula.arro@brisbanenorthphn.org.au](mailto:paula.arro@brisbanenorthphn.org.au) or Danie Williams Brennan (Mon-Wed) on [danielle.williams-brennan@brisbanenorthphn.org.au](mailto:danielle.williams-brennan@brisbanenorthphn.org.au) . Interviews will be held on Monday 13 June 2022.



## How to apply – please complete the following

Personal Details	
Name:	
Address:	
Telephone:	Email
I am a consumer (yes/no) I am a carer (yes/no) I am both consumer/carers (yes/no)	
Selection Criteria	
<b>1. Please briefly describe any relevant current experience and/or expertise you have that you could bring to the group eg., in relation to access, service delivery, primary and acute care: also in relation to specialist areas eg., alcohol other drugs, suicide prevention, severe and complex mental health, child and youth)</b>	
<b>2. Please provide examples of any experiences you have had as a lived/living experience representative in the mental health sector:</b>	
<b>3. Please describe any links you have to people with a lived/living experience accessing mental health services and how you can bring these perspectives to the position:</b>	
<b>4. After you reviewing the Regional Plan, if you had a magic wand what would be two priorities for People with a Lived Experience Leading Change.</b>	
<b>Please provide any other information you would like to share in your application:</b>	

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