

Community-led Alcohol Harm Reduction

FEDERATION FUNDING AGREEMENT – AFFORDABLE HOUSING,
COMMUNITY SERVICES AND OTHER

Table 1: Formalities and operation of schedule

Parties	Commonwealth Northern Territory
Duration	This Schedule is expected to expire on 30 June 2026
Purpose	This Schedule will support a range of measures aimed at community-led planning and delivery of a partnership approach to address alcohol-related harm in remote areas of the Northern Territory (NT). Initiatives include: • the development of a project plan in partnership with the Aboriginal Medical Services Alliance NT with an agreed oversight mechanism, such as the NT Aboriginal Health Forum; • improvements to a data portal for the capture, management and sharing of data that includes remote communities; • delivery of an appropriate public communications campaign to advise communities of community-led planning and solutions for community-designed alcohol management; • provision of independent consultants to work with communities, town camps and homelands to develop community alcohol plans, including identifying and developing proposals for associated activities; • provision of independent legal assistance to assist communities in making a submission on community-led alcohol planning, including for legal advice and making an application to the NT Director of Liquor Licensing; and • the delivery of community-identified activities and service enhancements to address alcohol-related harm in a community.

Estimated
financial
contributions

The Commonwealth will provide an estimated total financial contribution to the Northern Territory of \$7.9208 million in respect of this Schedule.

Table 1

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	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	Total
Estimated total budget	3.3890	0.0	4.5318	7.9208
<i>Less estimated National Partnership Payments</i>	3.3890	0.0	4.5318	7.9208
Balance of non-Commonwealth contributions	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Table 2: Performance requirements, reporting and payment summary

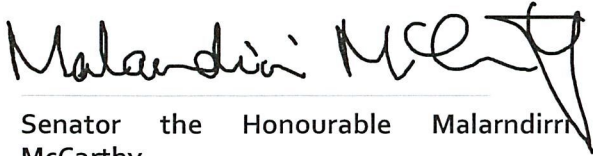
Outcomes	Performance milestones	Report due	Payment
Agreement executed	Execution of Agreement	1 November 2023	Data Portal \$250,000 Public Communications \$250,000 (Total \$500,000)
Reporting	Tripartite governance arrangements established between the Northern Territory Government, Commonwealth and Aboriginal Medical Services Alliance NT	30 November 2023	nil
Project Plan agreed Arrangements for payment agreed	Project Plan from the Northern Territory Government, developed with the Aboriginal Medical Services Alliance NT, endorsed by the agreed governance body and accepted by the Commonwealth, that details: The proposed public communications plan i. Number of communities targeted ii. Proposed strategy and media outlets The proposed consultation plan, activities and outcomes i. An overview of what a consultation may look like, including examples of regulations or planning the community may put in place to manage alcohol ii. Proposed timeline for recruitment of required personal and required tender processes for legal support and consultants. The proposed improvements to the Data Portal i. The proposed data sets and sharing arrangements ii. How access to the portal will be facilitated to different users The proposed mechanism for delivering funding for community-led solutions The proposed guidelines to determine supported activities and service enhancements that may include, but are not limited to, alcohol prevention and treatment services, diversion programs, early intervention and response services, social and emotional wellbeing services, family and community safety activities and support for licensing and regulation.	16 February 2024	Community legal support \$306,000 Independent consultants \$867,000 (Total \$1,173,000)

	Includes the proposed monitoring and evaluation plan for the project, activities and outcomes, as endorsed by the governance body.		
Demonstrated progress against the Project Plan Next steps of engagement and community planning agreed Arrangements for payment agreed	Milestone Report from the Northern Territory Government and Aboriginal Medical Services Alliance NT, endorsed by the agreed governance body and accepted by the Commonwealth, detailing: • How the project is being implemented to date • Update on milestones as outlined in the Project Plan, including, but not limited to: ○ Total reach of the communications activities ○ Total number of communities included in the data portal with data sharing arrangements ○ Outcomes of the communications plan ○ Total number of communities engaged with, consultations completed, community alcohol plans developed and solutions implemented (including applications under the <i>Liquor Act 2019</i> (NT) for general restricted areas, revocation of Interim alcohol protected areas and community club licences)	1 June 2024	Funding for community-led solutions \$1,716,000
Demonstrated progress against the Project Plan Next steps of engagement and community planning agreed	Milestone Report from the Northern Territory Government and Aboriginal Medical Services Alliance NT, endorsed by the agreed governance body and accepted by the Commonwealth, detailing: • How the project is being implemented to date • Update on milestones as outlined in the Project Plan, including, but not limited to: ○ Effectiveness of the communications activities ○ Total number of communities included in the data portal with data sharing arrangements ○ Total number of communities engaged with, consultations completed, community alcohol plans developed and solutions implemented (including applications under the <i>Liquor Act 2019</i> (NT) for general restricted areas, revocation of Interim alcohol protected areas and community club licences)	30 November 2024	nil
A minimum of 68 communities supported to develop and	Final report from the Northern Territory Government, accepted by the Commonwealth, that details:	1 May 2026	Public Communications \$150,000

implement community-led solutions for alcohol management Where communities have requested, measures to address alcohol-related harm in a community are in place	• Description of the project activities and outcomes, including: ○ Full report on agreed milestones in the project plan ○ an overview of the project ○ any challenges in delivering the project as planned and, where appropriate, mitigations in line with project objectives ○ any recommendations to improve future consultation processes • Project expenditure of the life of the project, including breakdown of expenditure across activities and outcomes aligned to the project plan. • Where applicable, an update on any formal partnership between Aboriginal communities or organisations in the Northern Territory that embeds the partnership elements set out in Priority Reform One, Clauses 32 and 33, Priority Reform Three, Clauses 58 and 59, and Priority Reform Four, Clauses 70 and 71 of the National Agreement on Closing the Gap.		Community legal support \$306,000 Independent consultants \$867,000 Funding for community-led solutions \$3,208,800 (Total \$4,531,800)
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The Parties have confirmed their commitment to this schedule as follows:

Signed for and on behalf of the Commonwealth
of Australia by



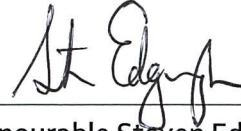
Senator the Honourable Malarndirri
McCarthy

Minister for Indigenous Australians

Date:

17-6-2026

Signed for and on behalf of the
Northern Territory by



The Honourable Steven Edgington MLA
Minister for Health

Date:

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