

About the ACI Consumer Council

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PURPOSE

The ACI Consumer Council provides expert advice to the Agency for Clinical Innovation (ACI) and its Board on consumer engagement strategies and represents consumer members of ACI Networks, Taskforces and Institutes.

MEMBERSHIP

The ACI Consumer Council is chaired by a member of the ACI Board and comprises 8-10 consumer and community members with expertise in consumer engagement and the ability to represent the diverse interests of the NSW community. Current members of the Council are:

- **Tomas Ratoni (Chair):** ACI Board Member; Paediatric Clinical Nurse Consultant, Northern NSW Local Health District
- **Joyce van Akkeren:** Multicultural Access Project Worker, Bankstown Area Multicultural Network
- **Pat Frances:** Co-Chair, ACI Rural Health Network
- **Tonina Harvey AM:** General Manager, Drug Health Services, South West Sydney LHD
- **Andrew Lawler:** Youth Brains Trust Member, Young & Well Collaborative Research Centre; Youth Co-ordinator, Young & Well; Headspace Youth Alliance
- **Max Simensen:** Peer Worker, Headspace; Youth Advisory Council Member for Orygen (National Centre of Excellence in Youth Mental Health)
- **Ro-Ann Stirling-Kelly:** Consumer Engagement/Aboriginal Identification Officer, Mid North Coast LHD Hastings Macleay Clinical Network
- **Sharon (Shazza) Taylor:** Aboriginal Health Educator, Health Education & Training Institute
- **Coralie Wales:** Manager, Community & Consumer Engagement, Western Sydney Local Health District

ACTIVITIES

The ACI Consumer Council meets up to five times per year at the ACI office in Chatswood, NSW. Outside of meetings, the Consumer Council works with the ACI Patient Experience and Consumer Engagement (PEACE) team to:

- Inform the ACI's strategic vision and direction
- Ensure that ACI products and services meet the needs of patients and consumers
- Build the capability of consumer involved on ACI Networks, Taskforces and Institutes
- Develop relationships with key partners in the NSW health system

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