

Special Event: Mad Reflections on the MH&WA white paper

A while back we held a one-off session for consumer/survivor/ex-patient discussion on the Final Report of the Royal Commission into Victoria's Mental Health System.

Since that time, the Victorian Department of Health has released an *Update and Engagement Paper* (white paper) on the new Mental Health and Wellbeing Act, which was a recommendation of the RCVMHS.

We're hosting another session for people who want to get together to talk through their thoughts/reflections/feelings about the white paper (flyer attached). This session won't interfere with the normal Reading Group schedule.

Everyone is welcome, however consumers/survivors/ex-patients and those who identify as Mad or who have experienced treatment under the *Mental Health Act* are encouraged to share and will be prioritised in the space.

Please note this discussion is primarily intended for those who may not have other avenues (e.g. mental health sector workplaces) to reflect on the white paper, and the Mad Studies Network will not be making a submission to the consultation on the paper as a group. However, people who are interested in submitting individually may benefit from talking through their views with other Mad Studies practitioners and interested parties.

Date and Time: Tuesday 29th June from 7-8.30pm AEST

Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82800254128>

RSVP: to madstudiesmelb@gmail.com by EOD Monday 28th June

The *Update and Engagement Paper* can be found here, and is available in plain English, and 18 community languages as well: [Mental Health and Wellbeing Act: Update and Engagement](#)

Hope to see some of you there!

