

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY
DRUGS OF DEPENDENCE ACT 1989

APPOINTMENT OF TREATMENT ASSESSMENT PANELS

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

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The Drugs of Dependence Act 1989 provides for the establishment of Treatment Assessment Panels to assess clients referred from ACT Courts and to recommend treatment for these clients, where appropriate

Under Section 130 of the Act, it is a requirement of the Minister to appoint members of the Treatment Assessment Panel

Section 131 provides for the appointment of members of the Treatment Assessment Panel Section 133 provides for the appointment of presiding members of the Treatment Assessment Panel Section 134(1) provides for the appointment of an acting presiding member of the Treatment Assessment Panel

All appointees are current members of the Treatment Assessment Panel.

Each Treatment Assessment Panel must comprise at least two experienced treatment workers and one legal practitioner

The members of the Treatment Assessment Panel are

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| Marion Watson | Presiding Member | Treatment Worker |
| Maryanne Campbell | Presiding Member | Treatment Worker |
| Maurice O'Connor | Acting Presiding Member | Treatment Worker |
| Marion Watson | Member | Treatment Worker |
| Maryanne Campbell | Member | Treatment Worker |
| Maurice O'Connor | Member | Treatment Worker |
| Janet Smith | Member | Treatment Worker |
| Jillian Fleming | Member | Treatment Worker |
| Lynne Magor Blatch | Member | Treatment Worker |
| Nerida Knight | Member | Treatment Worker |
| Allen Anforth | Member | Legal Practitioner |
| Adrian Bruce Vincent | Member | Legal Practitioner |
| Russell Thomas Bayliss | Member | Legal Practitioner |

Members of Treatment Assessment Panels hold their position for a period of twelve months from the date of appointment

Four of the nominees to the Treatment Assessment Panel are subject to the *Statutory Appointments Act 1994* All nominations were forwarded to the Standing Committee on Social Policy