From: Have Your Say - National Mental Health Commission
To: Sharon Lawn
Subject: Thank you for completing Consultation questions
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Hi,

Thanks for completing the survey.

Your responses are listed below.

Structure: Does the Strategy structure (i.e., principles, focus areas, enablers) cover the main areas addressed in the Final Advice in a way that supports the development of actions for the National Suicide Prevention Strategy? If not, what do you think should be changed or added?

I think the 'Mitigating the impact of known drivers of distress' section needs to be more detailed and recognise a broader set of ideas. 'Addressing social determinants of health' is very generic and has potential to be a catch all phrase that is then overlooked or assumed. I note that racism and discrimination are not mentioned there and they probably should be. In the 'Provide assessible, coordinated and comprehensive care' section, it is also important to include something about how services need to act towards the person and how they talk to, respect and regard each other in the communication of information and support provided to the person. In the 'Workforce and community capability' section, I think 'community organisations' needs to be clearer what is meant here, especially given contact with people who are never known to any services or mental health services.

National Suicide Prevention Strategy development and consultation: Do the proposed advisory groups, working groups and consultation plan provide adequate opportunity for input from a variety of perspectives? If not, what do you think should be changed or added?

They seem reasonable. The challenge is to reach the many people who simply haven't had prior contact with services.

Do you have any other comments on what should be considered in the development of the National Suicide Prevention Strategy?

Thanks for the opportunity.

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