



Mental Health Coalition of SA Lived Experience Awards 2021 Nomination Form

Category 1: Lived Experience Worker (Consumer Role)

About the Awards

The Mental Health Coalition of SA (MHCSA) is committed to building and supporting a professional, highly skilled and valued Lived Experience Workforce in the SA non-Government mental health sector. As a major program of the MHCSA, the Lived Experience Workforce Program (LEWP) carries out this work and is proud to lead these Awards in partnership with the SA Mental Health Commission. We are honoured to recognise and celebrate the outstanding achievements of:

- Individuals who use their mental health lived experience in a designated consumer role
- Individuals who use their mental health lived experience in a designated carer role
- Students who are currently studying, will complete or have completed the Certificate IV in Mental Health Peer Work in the current calendar year

Categories and Criteria

1. Lived Experience Worker (Consumer Role)

- An individual who is currently employed in a paid, designated lived experience role (personal lived experience of mental distress and recovery is an essential criterion and noted in the Job Description). Open to employees in the non-Government and Government mental health sectors
- Individuals may nominate themselves or be nominated by someone else (an individual or organisation) and can only be nominated in one category
- A description (no more than 400 words) of how the individual embraces and demonstrates 4 of the values and principles of peer work in all aspects of their role (listed on page 2)
- Details of two referees who can confirm the above

2. Lived Experience Worker (Carer Role)

- An individual who is currently employed in a paid, designated lived experience role (being a carer/family/friend of someone who has lived experience of mental distress and recovery is an essential criterion and noted in the Job Description). Open to employees in the non-Government and Government mental health sectors
- Individuals may nominate themselves or be nominated by someone
- A description (no more than 400 words) of how the individual embraces and demonstrates 4 of the values and principles of peer work in all aspects of their role (listed on page 2)
- Details of two referees who can confirm the above



3. Peer Work Student

- An individual who is currently studying, has successfully completed or is due to complete the Certificate IV in Mental Health Peer Work in 2021 and has gone above and beyond the course competency requirements during their study
- Individuals must be nominated by a representative of the Registered Training Organisation (RTO) with which they are/have been enrolled
- Individuals can only be nominated in one category
- A description (no more than 400 words) of how the student has gone “above and beyond” the course requirements. For example, demonstrating the Values and Principles of Peer Work, the greatest personal growth through learning or actively participating in extra learning opportunities etc.
- Details of one referee from the RTO who can confirm the above

Peer work values and principles

- Person centred
- Mutuality and reciprocity
- Shared power
- Honesty
- Open mindedness
- Uniqueness of the individual
- Non-judgmental
- Respect
- Shared responsibility
- Trust
- Hopefulness
- Strengths-based
- Empowerment
- Connection
- Real choices
- Attitudes and Rights
- Duty of care vs dignity of risk
- Partnership and communication
- Empathy
- Understanding

How to Nominate

Nominations are open from June 22nd and close on August 30th. Late applications will not be considered. Completed should be emailed to administration@mhcsa.org.au

Judging

To be considered eligible, an entry must meet the criteria noted above, address all questions within the relevant category section of this form and include any required evidence as noted.

Judging will take place between September 6th- 9th by a panel brought together for their lived experience and workforce expertise, along with the LEWP Program Manager and Senior Project Officer. All decisions are final and no correspondence will be entered into.

Nominations will be used solely for the purposes of judging and awarding of the Awards. There will be a maximum of three finalists in each category, to be notified and announced shortly after judging. Finalists will be invited to attend a Mental Health Month presentation dinner on October 29th, at which all finalists will be recognised and the winners announced.



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Finalists and winners will be photographed with their Awards and may be asked to speak with the media and/or other organisations about their Award.

Questions

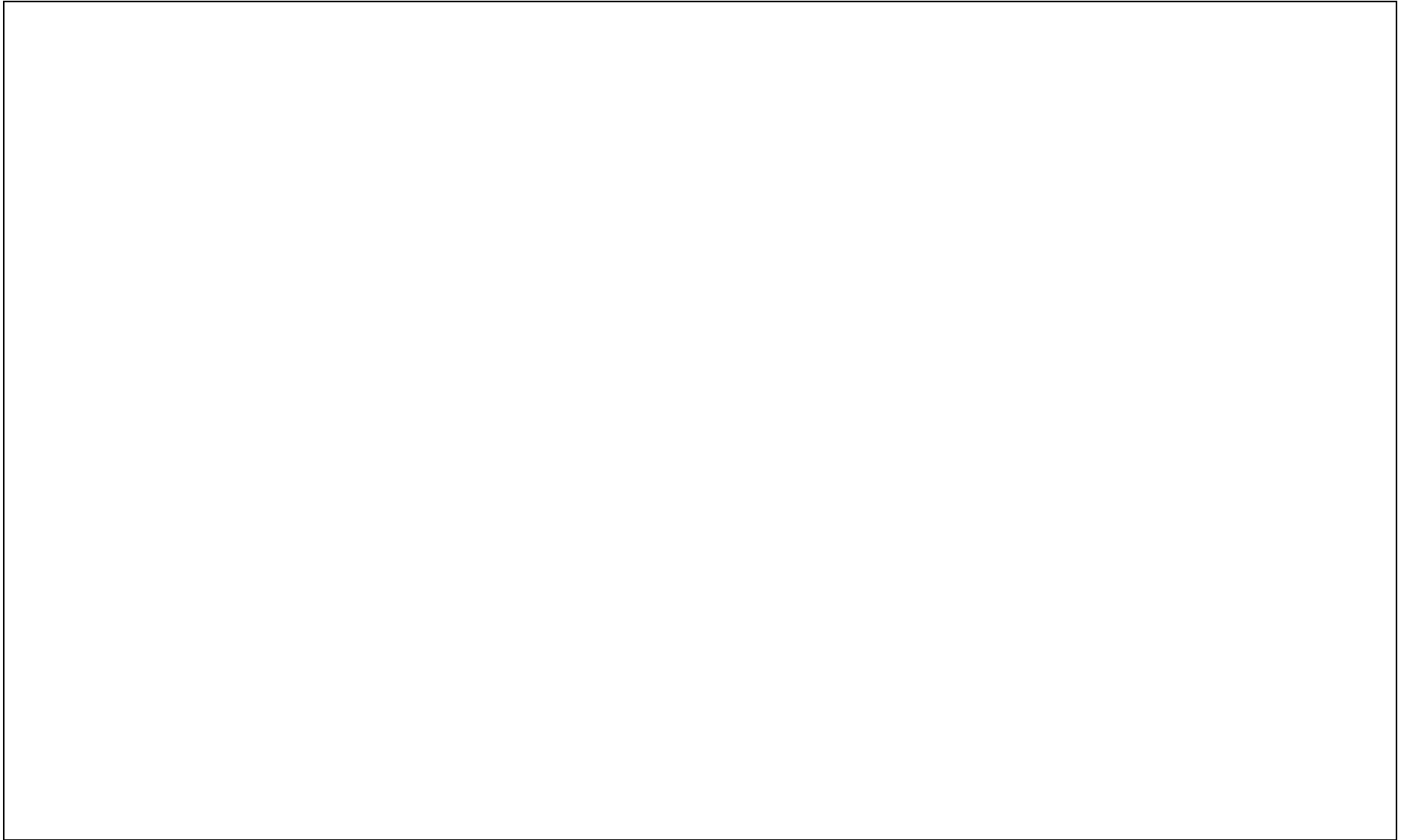
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Nomination - Category 1: Lived Experience Worker (Consumer Role)

NOMINEE DETAILS	NOMINATOR DETAILS
Name	Name
Preferred Pronouns	
Address	Address
Phone	Phone
Email	Email
Organisation and Position	Organisation and Position
Self-nominating? Yes/No (circle one) <i>(if 'yes', leave 'Nominator Details' column blank)</i>	Relationship to Nominee
In 400 words or less, describe how the Nominee demonstrates 4 of the peer work values/principles in all aspects of their role:	



Name and contact details of two Referees who can support this nomination:	

Declaration (to be signed by Nominee and Nominator, or Nominee only if self-nominating)

I/we confirm that this information is true and accurate. I/we understand that submission does not guarantee receipt of a Lived Experience Award and that the Judges' decision is final. If selected as a finalist, the Nominee is prepared to attend the presentation dinner and participate in any associated media activities to acknowledge their achievement.

Nominee signature:

Nominator signature:

Date: