Partner Peaks

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Peak bodies partner on mental health, alcohol and other drugs, and support for children and families

Three of Victoria's most influential peak bodies are working together to strengthen support for children and families, in response to rising need.

The Centre for Excellence in Child and Family Welfare, the Victorian Alcohol and Drug Association (VAADA), and Mental Health Victoria are launching **Partner Peaks** – a collaboration that brings together expertise across the child and family services, mental health, and alcohol and other drug (AOD) sectors.

With more families facing economic hardship, housing instability and homelessness, social isolation, substance use, and mental health challenges, the need for support continues to grow.

Partner Peaks responds to this urgent need by bringing together child and family, mental health, and alcohol and other drug (AOD) sector workforces for a series of insightful and informative webinars, aligned workforce development ideas, and joint policy initiatives.

Each peak will maintain its independent role, while contributing knowledge and expertise to shared projects that promote the rights of children and families, improve mental health and wellbeing, and reduce the harms of alcohol and other drugs.

Partner Peaks builds on the success of the Tri-Peaks Project, which demonstrated the power of cross-sector collaboration.

Partner Peaks launches at **12.30pm** on **November 11** with a webinar aimed at equipping leaders with practical tools to meet their responsibilities under Victoria's new psychosocial workplace health and safety regulations, which come into effect from December 1.

For more information or to register, visit The Surprising Truths About Psychosocial Safety Workshop.

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