*\*This media release template is a guide for Local Drug Action Teams (LDATs) wanting to publicise an upcoming workshop/forum, prior to the event. LDATs should update this template with relevant details. If an LDAT needs any assistance, they should contact their Relationship Manager at the Alcohol and Drug Foundation.***MEDIA RELEASE**

<insert date here>

**Local Drug Action Team hosting <workshop/forum>**

<Insert Local Drug Action Team (LDAT) name> is hosting a <workshop/forum> on the prevention of alcohol and other drug-related harms and is seeking involvement and input from the local community.

Community members are invited to attend the upcoming <workshop/forum> on <insert date>, which will discuss <insert objective of workshop/forum for example; local alcohol and other drug issues>.

The Local Drug Action Team Program, which is managed by the Alcohol and Drug Foundation, supports organisations to build or extend partnerships in their community and use local knowledge to deliver evidence-informed alcohol and other drug harm prevention and minimisation activities that are tailored to the needs of their local area.

<Insert LDAT name> is a partnership between <insert lead and partner organisations here>.

The community partnership has received an initial $10,000 to finalise a Community Action Plan. The Local Drug Action Team’s plan is set to focus on <insert the aim of your LDAT’s Community Action Plan, for example building resilience in local youth>.

More information about <insert LDAT name> will be available at the upcoming <forum/workshop>, which is being held at <insert venue location> at <insert time>.

<Insert LDAT spokesperson quote, for example “We are looking forward to sharing our ideas at the upcoming forum/workshop and we are really interested in hearing from community members,”> said <insert LDAT’s name> spokesperson <insert name>.

The Alcohol and Drug Foundation’s Chief Executive Officer, Dr Erin Lalor said the Local Drug Action Team will play a vital role in the prevention and reduction of alcohol and other drug harms in the community.

“The Local Drug Action Team will use local knowledge to develop locally-led activities to prevent and reduce harms from alcohol and other drugs at a grass roots level,” Dr Lalor said.

The Local Drug Action Team Program is part of the Australian Government’s investment of $298 million over four years under the National Ice Action Strategy.

For more information about the Local Drug Action Team Program, please visit <https://community.adf.org.au/>

**ENDS**

For media enquiries please call <insert LDAT media contact name> on <media contact phone> or <media contact email>.

For further information about the Local Drug Action Team Program, please call the ADF’s media team on 0430 948 380.