

# Social Inclusion Statement



**Our Vision:** Strong, inclusive and resilient communities

**Our Mission:** To be the voice of mental health communities, creating connections, providing leadership and supporting better outcomes

**Our Values:** Advocacy, Trust, Relevance & Responsiveness, Leadership, Diversity

**Queensland Alliance for Mental Health (QAMH) is committed** to working in collaboration with members, and the broader sector, to build and maintain a sustainable, innovative community mental health sector based on the philosophy of recovery, safety and social inclusion.

We continue to support the community and to work in partnership with members of the community who are isolated and disadvantaged.

This includes Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples; the Lesbian, Gay, Bi-sexual, Transgender and Intersex Community (LGBTIQ community); people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds; and refugees and asylum seekers in a culturally appropriate way.

QAMH creates strong and enduring community partnerships to ensure all peoples are treated equally and fairly. We listen to individuals and organisations within those communities to ensure that we are responding in a way that is appropriate and safe for them, ensuring that any unconscious bias is highlighted and managed effectively.

QAMH acknowledges Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples as the traditional custodians of the land and respect and value the diversity of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures in Australia. We believe in strengthening relationships, creating new opportunities and building respect with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, communities and organisations.

QAMH is committed to focussing on the mental health community respectfully including people who have a lived experience (consumers and carers) and their families and friends and working alongside people and communities to build strength, respect, recovery and social inclusion.

We commit to strongly supporting and celebrating our multicultural society and continue to advocate and support for an inclusive community with our partners and stakeholders.

Additionally, we continue to support the most disadvantaged in the community and to work in partnership with culturally and linguistically diverse communities, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples, LGBTIQ, disability, youth and older people and any other marginalised communities, in a culturally appropriate and safe way, through partnerships across the sector. We seek to create strong and enduring community partnerships to ensure all peoples are treated equally and fair.

**“Strong, inclusive and resilient mental health communities.”**