



# FACT SHEET

## **Victorian Network of Smoke Free Healthcare Services**

### ***What is the Victorian Network of Smoke Free Healthcare Services (VNSFHS)?***

Colac Area Health is now an active member of the Victorian Network of Smoke Free Healthcare Services. This network has been established in order to increase the capacity of health care services to successfully implement smokefree policies and address the health impacts of smoking.

### ***Colac Area Health's VNSFHS Membership***

Our healthcare service is the first in rural Victoria to achieve membership for the Victorian Network of Smoke Free Healthcare Services; this is a significant achievement for our service. To achieve membership we have met 10 standards outlined by the Victorian Network of Smoke Free Healthcare Services, and have completed an action plan to identify areas that need strengthening.

#### ***Colac Area Health's Smoke Free Colac Otway Vision***

Colac Area Health has a duty of care to its patients and staff by creating a safety and healthy environment for all, and this should include Colac Area Health being recognised as a smoke free healthcare service.

Colac Area Health's Integrated Health Promotion Plan identifies Tobacco Control as a priority area for action. A smokefree healthcare service is one initiative a part of an integrated approach towards the Colac Otway becoming smoke free.



**For more information about the Victorian Network of Smoke Free Healthcare Services, please follow this link:**

**<http://smokefreevictoria.com.au>**

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