

# Suicide Prevention Accreditation

*Quality Innovation Performance Limited* (QIP) is a not-for-profit certification and accreditation organisation dedicated to supporting health and community services to manage safety, risk and quality through the provision of accreditation, certification and quality assurance services.

### Suicide Prevention Australia Standards

Owned by Suicide Prevention Australia, the Suicide Prevention Australia Standards for Quality Improvement, 1st Edition (the Standards) were developed in collaboration with the suicide prevention sector.

As outcome-oriented standards, the Standards are designed to support the suicide prevention sector and provide assurance to consumers that the suicide prevention programs delivered by an organisation are safe, high-quality and effective.

The Standards offer an opportunity for organisations to participate in an accreditation program that will provide consistency in delivery and quality improvement.

#### Why become accredited to the Suicide Prevention Australia Standards for Quality Improvement?

Assessment against the Standards assists organisations to continually improve and better support consumers by providing an improved service experience.

Implementation of the Suicide Prevention Australia Standards requires the involvement of staff and volunteers to ensure the quality, effectiveness and reliability of the suicide prevention programs being delivered. For personalised support, contact the QIP Team: C 1300 888 329 info@qip.com.au



## **QIP Accreditation Process**

QIP's step-by-step process allows organisations to know exactly where they are within their assessment cycle to support planning and required actions.

- Registration organisations can register directly with QIP and will gain immediate access to accreditation support and resources to begin the quality improvement journey.
- Self-assessment an internally led process where the organisation determines the degree to which they meet the Standards. This is completed through QIP's web-based self-assessment tool, AccreditationPro.
- 3. Application the organisation's selfassessment is submitted and planning for the desktop audit commences.
- 4. Assessment an experienced and qualified assessor will conduct a desktop audit review of the documentation submitted by the organisation in their self-assessment.
- Decision a report of the assessment is sent to QIP and a decision is made about the organisation's assessment status by an independent QIP Decision Maker. The organisation is provided with an accreditation report detailing the assessment findings. Accreditation is awarded for a three-year period.



 Monitoring – the organisation continues to implement improvements throughout the accreditation cycle with a submission of a quality improvement plan mid-way through the accreditation period.



### Why choose QIP ?

#### QIP can best support your organisation throughout the accreditation process by providing:

- A dedicated QIP Client Liaison Team
- Access to the QIP accreditation hub which includes:
  - AccreditationPro, our user-friendly self-assessment tool, and
  - Our extensive online education and resource library containing useful documents such as Suicide Prevention Australia's customisable templates.
- Stay up-to-date with industry and organisational news, helpful tips and Suicide Prevention Australia information through QIP communications, including periodical e-newsletters advising of any changes to processes, systems, standards, or evidence requirements.
- Marketing collateral to support your selfassessment and promotion of the accredited status – a framed A3 certificate, display stickers, customisable media release and digital files.



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