

New Executive Director for AIDS Council

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The AIDS Council of SA (ACSA) has appointed Shane Dinnison to the position of Executive Director.

Shane brings many years of experience in community services development and management to the role. His background is in working with disadvantaged and marginalised communities, both directly and in an advocacy and policy development role. He joins ACSA from SACOSS, the South Australian Council of Social Service where he has worked for the last five years and as Deputy Director for the last two years. Prior to working at SACOSS, Shane was employed by the Commonwealth Government, in housing, homelessness and disability policy and service delivery. He served on the ACSA Board from 1998-2003 including two terms as President.

John Yates, ACSA President, said that Shane joins the organisation at a critical time in the community response to HIV/AIDS in South Australia.

“HIV sector agencies are currently awaiting advice on future funding intentions following the State Government’s significant funding reform process and the Commonwealth’s new investment in HIV prevention” said Mr Yates. “ACSA is keen to ensure that any reforms do not place the provision of services at risk. The new COAG Health Agreement Specific Purpose Payments, announced by the Federal Minister for Health on World AIDS Day are designed to revitalise HIV prevention and support services”.

Mr Yates said that the challenge for the community sector is to ensure that the State Government maintains its commitment to community based HIV/AIDS prevention and support programs.

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