

## SUPPORTING FAMILIES TO THRIVE

**OUR MDAS FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES TEAM SUPPORTS OUR CLIENTS AS THEY STRIVE TO ACHIEVE THEIR OWN GOALS IN LIFE.**

We have specialist teams focussing on the different needs within our community:

- Cultural Advocate Support
- Children's Placement Services
- Family Support Services
- Youth Services
- Homelessness and Housing Support
- Family Violence Services

Our staff work from a "Best-Interest Case Practice Model" – that means we support clients to achieve their goals and maintain their connections to their community, their families and, importantly, their culture.

## GOT A QUESTION ABOUT FOSTER CARE?

**FOSTER CARING IS AN IMPORTANT PART OF WHAT WE DO AT MDAS.**

Our carers change the lives of vulnerable children and young people with support, nurturing, guidance and love when their own family can't care for them.

We work hand-in-hand with people from all kinds of backgrounds and we need a range of carers for different sorts of roles:

- Short Term Care – can be from 2 weeks to 6 months
- Long Term – children's family are unable to meet their needs in the long run
- Respite – to give full-time carers a break
- Emergency Care – usually comes with little or no notice, for various reasons

We'll provide you with support and ongoing training (like the Thinking Mind, Reptilian Brain workshop) to ensure the best outcomes for you and the children or young people in your care.

Find out more on our website, or call Glenn on 0427 814 227

### THINKING MIND, REPTILIAN BRAIN WORKSHOP

**FREE**

This workshop explores the importance of being in 'thinking mind' mode when the children you care for are struggling.

**Friday June 21**

**Training: 9am – 3pm**

**MDAS Community, 120 Madden Avenue Mildura**

**For more information and to book, go to: [www.carerkafe.org.au](http://www.carerkafe.org.au)**

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## CHANGING BEHAVIOUR, CHANGING LIVES



Left to Right - Blake Hall, Keith Blore, Rocky Sloan, Wayne Coe

**OUR INNOVATIVE MEN'S CASE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM IS GOING FROM STRENGTH TO STRENGTH AND BRINGING SOME AMAZING OUTCOMES FOR MEN, THEIR FAMILIES AND COMMUNITY.**

We're seeing huge demand in our services -- an incredible 65 referrals last month – but we have appointed some new staff to help us continue achieving great outcomes across the Mallee, from Mildura to Kerang.

The new Men's Case Management team coordinated by Rocky Sloan concentrates on the whole person. It's a one-on-one and group-based program that works to challenge and change men's behaviour. More men are seeking to join our programs.

We get on Country and our focus is culture and community and getting back to lore. To us, that means we're brothers and family – we share, we give, and we love. We set goals, then we check into support each other to stay on track.

Our men are getting back to work and study and they're building strong networks. The result is healthier men, less reoffending, happier families and a stronger community.

If you'd like to find out more, contact Rocky Sloan at MDAS Mildura or Wayne Coe at Robinvale.

## SAVE THE DATE

**JOIN IN NAIDOC JULY 7- 14**

**NAIDOC FLAG RAISING & COMMUNITY DAY**

Monday July 8 – MDAS, MRCC and march to Langtree Mall

**NAIDOC COMMUNITY CORROBOREE**

Sunday July 7  
Nowingi Place

**NAIDOC BALL**

Saturday July 20  
Mildura Grand Hotel

## WE HAVE EXCITING CAREER OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE FOR THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS:

**Mildura**

**ABORIGINAL HUB PRACTITIONER**

**AGED CARE AND DISABILITY COORDINATOR**

**COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT OFFICER**

**Swan Hill**

**ABORIGINAL HUB PRACTITIONER**

**HEALTH PROMOTIONS OFFICER**

**HEALTH OUTREACH WORKER**

**Swan Hill**

**CASEWORKER INTENSIVE CASE MANAGEMENT**

**CASEWORKER PREVENTION AND EARLY INTERVENTION**

**GENERAL PRACTITIONER**

*Generations of vibrant, healthy and strong Aboriginal communities*