

# Network Funding Fact Sheet

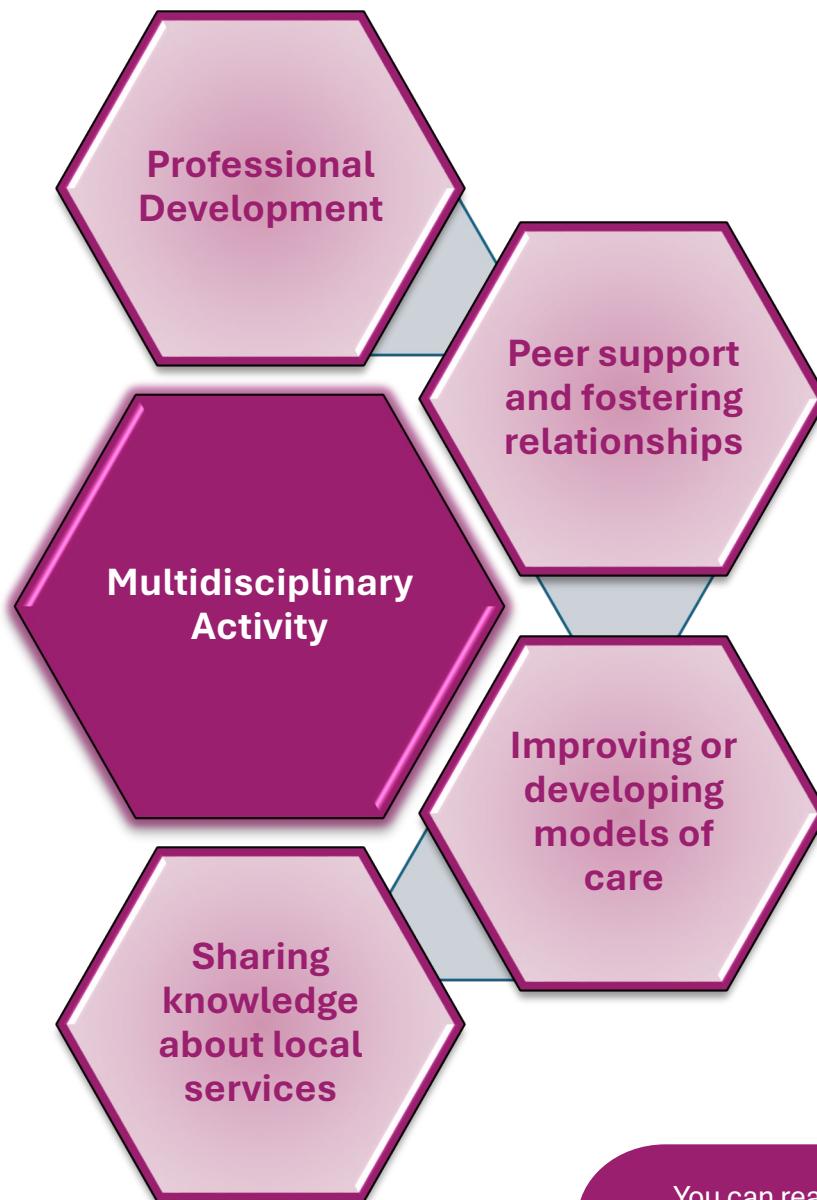
MHPN Multidisciplinary Networks

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MHPN Networks exist to connect mental health practitioners with a shared interest. The interest may be based on the local area where they work or a particular mental health area of interest. Networks connect face to face, hybrid or online.

**Networks are expected to undertake Activity at least 4 times per year**

MHPN Networks undertaking/planning activity at least 4 times per year, are eligible for funding to support one or more of the following four multidisciplinary activities.



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**[Networks program here](#)**

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## Financial Year Funding available to each Network

Funding guidelines included on page 3

Online activity and Balint Networks	Guest Speaker / Balint Networks Facilitator Allowance
<b>3 or greater attendees</b>	\$660/max annual allowance

Face-to-Face activity	A. Recommended Guest Speaker Allowance* <small>(not to exceed Maximum Annual Allowance)</small>	B. Recommended Catering, Venue Hire or Supplies Allowance* <small>(not to exceed Maximum Annual Allowance)</small>	A+B Total Maximum Annual Allowance*
<b>3-5 attendees</b>	\$165*/activity <b>\$660* max. annual</b>	\$55/activity <b>\$220 max. annual</b>	<b>\$880</b>
<b>6+ attendees</b>		\$11pp/activity <b>\$44pp max. annual</b>	<b>\$660 + \$44pp</b> eg. 30 attendees = \$1,980

In recognition of access and availability, face-to-face activity in MMM2-7 locations may utilise [if required] an additional 10% of the B. Catering, Venue Hire, Supplies Allowance.

\*All amounts shown are including GST. If a speaker or provider is not registered for GST, GST will not be paid by MHPN.

<sup>+</sup>Networks that undertake/plan activity at least 4 times per financial year, that are not utilising the Guest Speakers **may** seek approval to utilise the Guest Speaker Allowance for other expenses (eg. Catering, Venue Hire, providing Accessibility) that support face-to-face multidisciplinary Network Activity. Please contact MHPN to seek pre-approval.

**Important note:** unused funding does not roll over from Financial Year to Financial Year

## Quarterly Photo Competition

Share some meeting photos on social media (use **#MHPNNetworks**) or submit details to MHPN via this [online form](#) to go in the draw to win an extra \$100 towards a future meeting.

All entries are shared on the Network Highlights page on the MHPN website.

The \$100 prize will be drawn at the start of each quarter (January, April, July, October), and can be used for catering or venue hire, or toward a guest speaker.



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### Funding Guidelines

Item	Considerations	Reasonable expense examples	Examples of expenses NOT remunerated
Venue hire	<p>MHPN prioritises free or low-cost community venues to ensure the responsible use of funding and to manage real or perceived conflict of interest.</p> <p>Venue hire can be paid <b>pre or post-activity</b> upon presentation of a tax invoice (<u>not</u> eftpos receipt).</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Local council venue.</li> <li>▪ Community hall.</li> <li>▪ University spaces.</li> <li>▪ Commercial spaces / function rooms.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Venues owned or utilised by coordinators or Network members are not ordinarily reimbursed to manage conflict of interest / real or perceived financial gain.           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Some exceptions do apply, please contact MHPN for guidance.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Catering	<p>MHPN is unable to fund or provide alcohol at Network activities. Modest refreshments within the funding available is to support participation in Network activity.</p> <p>Catering can be paid <b>pre or post-activity</b> upon presentation of a tax invoice (<u>not</u> eftpos receipt).</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Catering, refreshments / non-alcoholic drinks and snacks.</li> <li>▪ Napkins, cutlery and plates.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Alcohol.</li> </ul>
Guest speaker fees	<p>Guest speaker activity must be aligned to the purpose of the Network and must have a qualification or equivalent experience working within Mental Health.</p> <p>Guest speakers may be remunerated upon receipt of an invoice / tax invoice, or submission of the MHPN Guest Speaker Claim Form. *A gift voucher and / or gift hamper may be purchased in lieu of remuneration. Please note, it is not possible to be reimbursed for purchase of vouchers where the recipient/s are not yet known.</p> <p>Guest speakers (or reasonable Guest Speaker expenses in line with these guidelines) can only be paid <b>post-activity</b> upon completion of the MHPN Guest Speaker claim form, OR, presentation of a tax invoice.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Guest Speaker Remuneration.</li> <li>▪ *Voucher or gift hamper.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Presentations by Co-ordinators will be only remunerated in line with the Volunteer Agreement</li> <li>▪ Alcohol, including bottles of wine, vouchers for alcohol selling venues.</li> </ul>
Printing / stationery	<p>Materials like printing and stationery can be reimbursed if directly tied to Network activity.</p> <p>Printing/stationery can be paid <b>pre or post-activity</b> upon presentation of a tax invoice/receipt (<u>not</u> eftpos receipt)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Stationery.</li> <li>▪ Promotional flyers and handouts with the MHPN logo.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Promotional materials without the MHPN logo and/or MHPN endorsement</li> </ul>
Other supplies	By pre-approval and assessed on a case-by-case basis. Please contact MHPN to discuss.		