



Government of **Western Australia**
Office of the **Chief Psychiatrist**

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STRATEGIC PLAN 2026-29

OCP Strategic Summary 2026-29

Our Vision

**Mental health care to
the highest standard**



Our Mission

The Chief Psychiatrist aims to ensure that all Western Australians receive the highest standard of mental health treatment and care.

Our Purpose

We support better mental health care, so people can live their best lives.

Our Scope

- Setting and monitoring standards
- Collaborating, investigating, advocating and intervening across the mental health sector
- Providing advice and publishing standards and guidelines
- Educating and credentialling
- Identifying gaps and improvement opportunities through data collection, analysis, service and incident review and coronial findings.

Our Values



Leadership



Accountability



Integrity



Commitment



Respect

Strategic objectives and key priorities

1

Lead with a cohesive identity for the OCP

Present a consistent and independent message to advocate for high-quality mental health treatment and care.

- Improve sector awareness of who we are and what we do.
- Develop consistent messaging about key issues through a communication strategy and approach.
- Influence standards of treatment and care through active research, translation and learning.
- Use our profile to highlight and address mental health disparities.

Key Outcome

The OCP is a trusted part of the mental health sector with a clearly understood role among clinicians and consumers.

2

Continue to build relational and effective partnerships

Through authentic partnerships we listen deeply, build trust and collaborate to influence high-quality mental health care.

- Strengthen *Mental Health Act 2014* compliance through collaboration with services.
- More effective sharing of data analysis and outcomes to improve standards of treatment and care.
- Centre our relationships in open, clear, authentic communication and information sharing.
- Enhance opportunities for training and education.
- Maximise opportunities for collaboration and co-design.

Key Outcome

The OCP is a connected, collaborative agency with strong networks across the entire mental health sector.

Strategic objectives and key priorities

3

Embed a collaboration culture within the OCP

Build trust, cohesion and collaboration through strong governance structures, open communication and effective teamwork.

- Build a robust information-sharing culture within the office.
- Utilise the diverse skills, knowledge and experience of staff in OCP to shape effective teamwork.
- Strengthen governance structures to improve efficiency.
- Build capacity within the OCP workforce to ensure business continuity.
- Prioritise and support opportunities for active collaboration.

Key Outcome

Everyone within the OCP feels recognised, valued and supported to work at the top of their scope.

4

Commit to innovation and enhanced digital capability

Champion innovative technology and embrace change.

- Advocate for safe and enhanced digital capability for consumers and the mental health workforce.
- Develop strong relationships with digital experts in the health sector.
- Invest in staff training to enhance digital capability and innovation.
- Build knowledge and capability to drive efficiencies.
- Keep pace with compliance requirements in digital age.

Key Outcome

The OCP is a connected agency with the skills and versatility to respond to emerging technology.

