Standing Committee on Mental Health

Revised membership and Terms of Reference
Approved at meeting 2/2018

The Standing Committee on Mental Health is responsible for providing advice and guiding the implementation of the University’s Mental Health Policy for students and staff, with particular reference to services and programs for students on Australian campuses. It aims to ensure that the University provides an environment for promoting student mental health and wellbeing that aspires to international quality standards of delivery and evaluation.

The Standing Committee on Mental Health is chaired by the Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Major Campuses and Student Engagement).

**Reporting:** The Committee reports to the Vice-Chancellor’s Executive Committee (VCEC), to which it provides annual reports on mental health outcomes with a copy to the Diversity and Inclusion Committee for information. Where appropriate it may refer matters relating to mental health to the Wellbeing Sub-Committee of the Occupational Health and Safety Committee.

The Standing Committee on Mental Health shall:

- Contribute to the development of policy on student mental health;
- Evaluate the University’s progress in the delivery of programs aimed at enhancing student mental health;
- Ensure that mental health programs directed at staff remain relevant and widely available;
- Take an institution-wide approach to embedding knowledge and understanding of mental health issues and their impact across the University community;
- Make recommendations, where appropriate, on new or existing initiatives;
- Provide advice to Divisions and Faculties on the implementation of Mental Health policy;
- Consult with stakeholders, including Monash Student Organisations.

The Standing Committee on Mental Health is supported by an Executive Officer in the office of the PVC (Major Campuses and Student Engagement), who is responsible for the coordination of meetings, membership and supporting the Chair.

The Standing Committee on Mental Health meets twice per year.