

Commission update – 2 March 2021

The Royal Commission into Victoria's Mental Health System has delivered its final report to the Governor of Victoria and it has now been tabled in Parliament by the Victorian Government.

On behalf of my fellow Commissioners, Dr Alex Cockram, Professor Allan Fels AO and Professor Bernadette McSherry, I would like to extend our deepest gratitude to everyone who has shared their personal and professional experiences with us.

The final report is the culmination of a 24-month inquiry. It includes 65 recommendations for a redesigned mental health and wellbeing system, which build on the nine recommendations made in the interim report in November 2019.

The Victorian Government has committed to implementing all recommendations made by the Commission and will now take on the responsibility of implementation.



Learn more about the final report

To learn more and read the final report, visit www.rcvmhs.vic.gov.au.

The final report consists of five volumes, and reflects the significance and scale of reform required to transform Victoria's mental health and wellbeing system.

Alongside the full report, you can read the summary and recommendations, a range of fact sheets, and personal stories from people who have engaged with the Commission.

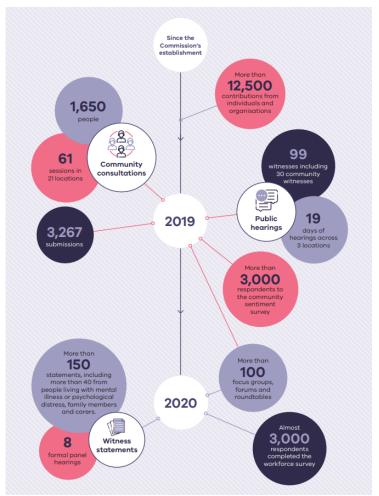
A range of accessible content is also provided, including accessible Word versions of the report, and information in Easy Read and Plain Language formats. Information translated into languages other than English will be available on the website soon.

You can watch a short video about the final report here.

Thank you

The Commission consulted widely during its work and received more than 12,500 contributions from individuals and organisations. This includes through consultations, public hearings and witness statements, surveys, workshops, roundtables and more than 3,200 submissions.

We are incredibly grateful for the generosity people have shown in sharing their stories and ideas for change.



The Royal Commission has drawn to a close

The Royal Commission into Victoria's Mental Health System was established following widespread acknowledgement of a broken system that has failed to meet people's needs.

We hope that the delivery of the Commission's final report gives people with lived experience of mental illness or psychological distress, families, carers and supporters, the mental health and wellbeing workforce, and all Victorians, confidence that real and lasting change is on the way.

Thank you again for the support you have given the Commission and its important work.

Penny Armytage AM

Chair, Royal Commission into Victoria's Mental Health System