

# The peer workforce

## When life and work conflate.

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# Where we have come from

## Mental health and addiction

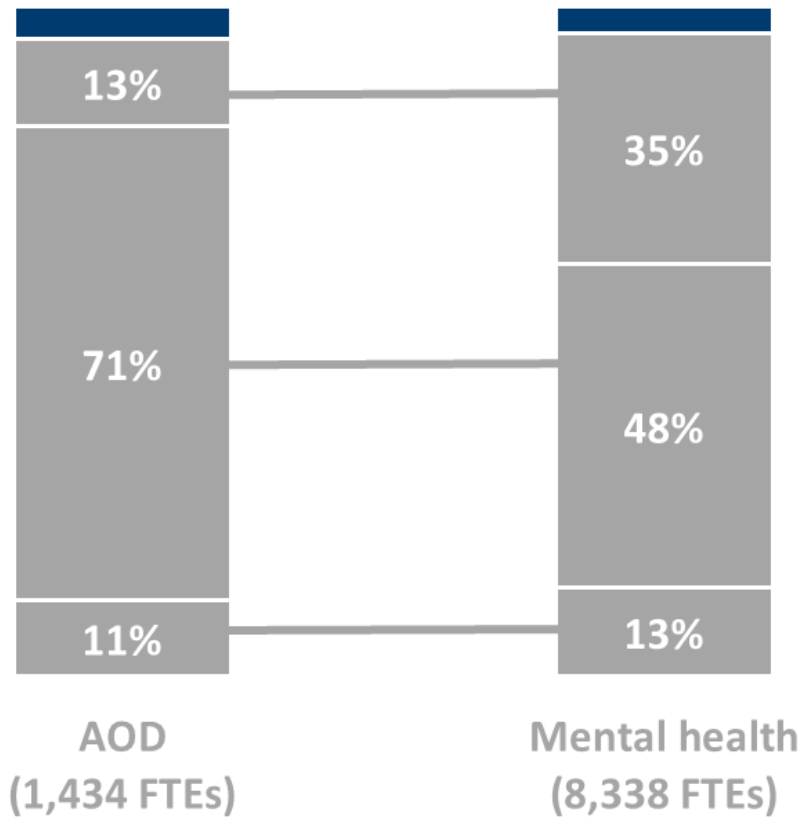
- Our lives
- Our work
- Our commitment

# Why?

- The other half of the picture
- Different solutions and choices
- Improving health literacy
- Keeping it real
- Living proof of what's possible

# Part of an assortment





**Peer workers, 4%**  
 Comprise similar proportion of  
 the AOD and mental health  
 workforces

Excludes forensic mental health  
 workforce

# Developing infrastructure

National mental health and addiction consumer, peer support and lived experience workforce development strategy

Potential for any lived experience to adapt and use

# The competencies



# Thanks

## Any questions?

