# SANDAS PLANNING POLICY



### **PURPOSE:**

 This policy describes the principles and objectives which guide SANDAS in the planning process across all areas of the organisation.

### **POLICY STATEMENT:**

- Planning processes have been developed to drive the provision of services which are consistent
  with requirements of the <u>ISO9001:2015</u> standard, SANDAS strategic direction and stakeholder
  expectations, and which align with the SANDAS ethos, structure, methods of operation and safety
  requirements.
  - o Through a tiered planning approach, SANDAS will determine the following:
    - Quality objectives, as defined within the SANDAS Quality Policy
    - Organisational strategies and resourcing
    - Monitoring and evaluation activities which evaluate SANDAS' performance against quality objectives and requirements.
  - A suite of policies and procedures exists to guide operations and these are reviewed and updated in accordance with the <u>SANDAS Document Review Procedure</u>. A <u>Document Register</u> identifies both existing and intended policies and procedures, and provides hyperlinks to their electronic locations.
  - The SANDAS system of planning is reviewed every twelve months, at the Management Review Meeting, or earlier if an improvement opportunity is identified.
- Planning processes are described in the SANDAS Planning Procedure and include:
  - Strategic Plan renewed every 3 years and sets the overarching improvement aims of SANDAS
  - o Annual Work Plan identifies strategies and actions to operationalise the Strategic Plan
  - Project Plans developed for discrete activities which are of sufficient complexity to require a
    documented plan. These are planned, implemented, monitored and evaluated in accordance
    with the <u>SANDAS Project Management Procedure</u>.
  - Incidental planning occurs via Board meetings, working groups, budget setting and staff meetings.
  - Evaluation is planned and implemented in accordance with the <u>SANDAS Monitoring and</u>
     <u>Evaluation Procedure</u>, with the subsequent data feeding back into the Plan-Do-Check-Act
     quality cycle.

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## **LEGISLATION & STANDARDS:**

• ISO9001:2015

## **DEFINITIONS/REFERENCES:**

- SANDAS Document Register
- SANDAS Document Review Procedure
- SANDAS Monitoring and Evaluation Procedure
- SANDAS Planning Procedure
- SANDAS Project Management Procedure
- SANDAS Quality Policy