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A NATIONAL COMMUNITY HAS ARRIVED

The NAMC has been formed to bring some order out of the current chaos that plagues the Australian methamphetamine contamination industry. Our mission is to bring some consistency to the market regarding information, research, practices, and costs. Furthermore, we aim to put an end to unscrupulous activity, poor customer service, the circulation of misinformation, and the ongoing client exploitation. The NAMC has been formed to be the beginning of the pathway towards a regulated and legislated industry to protect the health and safety of all Australians with regards to Methamphetamine Contamination.

WHO IS THE NAMC?

The NAMC is comprised of expert members representing all aspects involved in the Methamphetamine Contamination industry. The NAMC is represented by:

- Dr Jackie Wright as Director of Science & Research,
- Richard O'Grady (Chair) as Director of Decontamination,
- Sonny Sarajevo as Director of Testing,
- Matt Holt/Alp Bekensir as Joint Directors of Lab Analysis,
- Mellissa Gilbert as Director Environmental Hygiene,
- Nathaniel Hamilton as NZ Testing Advisor
- Shonagh Wright as the NAMC Secretary and Treasurer



THE GOALS OF THE NAMC?

The NAMC wishes to work together to set national industry standards, lobby for legislation, educate and engage with local and federal Government to produce a reliable & regulated industry. We are looking to engage state health departments and potentially act as a mediation service to bring about nationally unified standards.

"Australia is dealing with an ever-increasing meth problem, we all need the knowledge to deal with this effectively" Richard O'Grady - Chair

HOW AND WHY SHOULD YOU BECOME INVOLVED?

The only way to achieve consensus across the entire industry and all states and territories, is to engage with all associated and impacted businesses,



organisations, and individuals. Real Estate
Agencies, decontamination companies,
property investors, meth testers, occupational
hygienists, laboratories, research departments,



government departments, there is value in joining and engaging with the NAMC. We offer advice on course, latest research, prevention and what to do when you find yourself effected by damage caused by Methamphetamine. The NAMC will always offer impartial, accurate and up to date information and constantly meets to discuss developments within the Industry. Only companies proven to follow best practices will be affiliated with the NAMC so you can be sure any suppliers featured here can be trusted.

LATEST RESEARCH

The latest research was published on the 20th August 2020 in the Journal of Toxics, by Dr Jackie Wright, Michaela Kenneally, Kirstin Ross, & Stewart Walker, concluded in stating:

"This study has identified a range of health effects that occur while residing in contaminated properties, which include behavioural effects or issues, sleep issues, respiratory effects, skin and eye effects, and headaches. In addition, methamphetamine was also detected in the analysis of hair samples collected from a number of individuals, including children exposed at these properties. In general, higher levels of methamphetamine were reported in hair samples from individuals exposed in properties with higher levels of environmental methamphetamine contamination."

(Environmental Methamphetamine Exposures and Health Effects in 25 Case Studies. Page 28)

This paper is very insightful and worth reading. It can be sourced online at here

It shows how important it is to the health of Australian citizens that we as a community come together to ensure that occupants of these properties can live is safety.

JOIN US

By becoming a member of the NAMC you would benefit by being up to date with the latest best practice, giving input to the industry and NAMC members, and being notified of any new research. You will gain a deeper understanding of the end to end process, from why people test to laboratory analysis. You or your company will be able to ensure that your offering is in line with current best practice, giving assurance to your customers and clients that you are utilising qualified members of Australia's only national body. Please visit the website and apply to get started with the NAMC. Be part of the remedy.

The application process is quick and straight forward. Once your application is complete you will receive a decision within 5 business days. We offer Corporate Memberships to real estate agencies, mortgagee companies, insurance companies, community housing organisations, car dealerships etc. We have memberships for Testing, Decontamination, Lab Analysis, and Hygienists. We also have Honorary memberships that will be via invite only. We look forward to welcoming you to the NAMC. Start your application here.













We look forward to hearing from all interested parties, listening to industry concerns, working with state and federal government agencies, community groups, support agencies, and business operating within the industry.

Sincerely

Richard O'Grady

Chairman

National Association of Methamphetamine Contamination.