

Regional Mental Health and Wellbeing Boards

The Commission recommends establishing **8** legislated **Regional Mental Health and Wellbeing Boards** across Victoria by the end of 2023. In the meantime, **interim regional bodies** will be established this year to carry out the role.

Regional Boards will make decisions related to how mental health and wellbeing services are planned, resourced, and monitored. They will be governed by a skills-based board and will include people with lived experience as consumers and carers.

Regional Boards will seek to support communities to achieve the highest attainable standard of mental health and wellbeing through achieving the following objectives:

- That services are responsive to the needs of local communities
- Services respond to individual needs and preferences, with a focus on community-based service provision
- Services are integrated, and
- Services are given incentives and support to be safe
- Resources are allocated to improve outcomes, and
- Resources are allocated in a way that maximises value

See also Volume 1 Chapter 5, pp. 269-270