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## **SANE Wins Best Community Website Award (again)**

**SANE Australia's website, [sane.org](http://www.sane.org), has been declared the winner of the 'Best community/charity site 2006' Australian NetGuide award for the second year running.**

The NetGuide Web Awards recognise the site's superior content, navigation, function and design. The judges acknowledged that [www.sane.org](http://www.sane.org) makes 'a first rate effort in promoting help for, and understanding of, a group of people least able to help themselves' and that overall it is 'a good resource for understanding mental illness, for those who are ill or those who may have friends and family who are ill.'

Barbara Hocking, Executive Director of SANE Australia, says: 'We are very proud to have [sane.org](http://www.sane.org) acknowledged in this way for a second year. The website is SANE's public face – where visitors can download accurate information about mental illness, send Helpline Online queries, buy educational resources from the Bookshop, learn how to reduce stigma and discrimination, and how to support SANE's mission of working for a better life for people affected by mental illness. The website is particularly valuable for people who live in rural and remote areas, and for those who prefer to get their information anonymously. We regularly get great feedback from users and this Award is further acknowledgement of its value.'

The webpage containing SANE's downloadable and easy-to-read Factsheets on a wide range of illnesses and issues is the most visited page on the website. Each of the five finalist websites were considered by the judges to be of a particularly high standard and worthy of praise and recognition.

More information about the Australian NetGuide Web Awards can be found at [www.netguide.com.au](http://www.netguide.com.au). Visit the award-winning site today at [www.sane.org](http://www.sane.org).

**Barbara Hocking, Executive Director of SANE Australia, is available for comment.**

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affected by mental illness

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