

Aboriginal health: putting the MoU into action

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“THE PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN NACCHO AND ADGP PROVIDES AN OPPORTUNITY FOR EACH ORGANISATION TO LEARN FROM EACH OTHER, AND TO SUPPORT THEIR MEMBERS TO DELIVER HIGH QUALITY, CULTURALLY APPROPRIATE PRIMARY HEALTH CARE TO THE COMMUNITY.”.

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FORMAT OF SESSION

- BRIEF INTRODUCTION BY MR TONY MCCARTNEY, CHAIR, NACCHO AND DR ROB WALTERS, CHAIR, ADGP
- DIVISION/ACCHS PRESENTATION BY MID NORTH COAST (NSW) DIVISION OF GENERAL PRACTICE AND GALAMBILA ABORIGINAL MEDICAL SERVICES, COFFS HARBOUR
- DIVISION PRESENTATION BY FLINDERS AND FAR NORTH DIVISION OF GENERAL PRACTICE
- OPEN FORUM SEGMENT ON THE MOU WORKPLAN
- FUTURE DIRECTIONS.

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- **MR TONY MCCARTNEY, CHAIR, NACCHO**
- **DR ROB WALTERS, CHAIR, ADGP**
- **DR JANE DEEGAN, GP, MID NORTH COAST (NSW) DIVISION OF GENERAL PRACTICE**
- **MR JIM HURLEY, ABORIGINAL HEALTH WORKER, GALAMBILA ABORIGINAL MEDICAL SERVICE**
- **DR JULIA VNUK, GP COORDINATOR, FLINDERS AND FAR NORTH DIVISION OF GENERAL PRACTICE**
- **MS LYNNETTE STUART, CULTURAL MENTORS COORDINATOR, FLINDERS AND FAR NORTH DIVISION OF GENERAL PRACTICE**

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Key Area 1 (Relationships)

- Develop a national framework for improved engagement between Divisions and Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Services (ACCHSs)

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Key Area 2 (Models of best practice)

- Identify models of best practice for the development and implementation of a national framework that defines and promotes culturally sensitive and safe 'mainstream' general practice

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Key Area 3 (General practice accreditation)

- Increase the level of general practice accreditation in ACCHSs to the national benchmark ie accreditation standards of the Royal Australian College of General Practitioners (RACGP), through supporting Divisions of General Practice to work with ACCHSs.

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Key Area 4 (Health check for children)

- Implementation of well person's health check for children aged 14 years or less

Key Area 5 (Research and development workplan)

- Implementation of the National Aboriginal Collaborative Research and Development Unit workplan