

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cultural Inclusion Framework

Purpose

HealthWISE is committed to embedding a culture of inclusion and diversity. We are an established provider of Aboriginal health and wellbeing services across the New England and North West regions of New South Wales and the Darling Downs and West Moreton regions of Queensland. We are committed to working with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to reach a truly reconciled and inclusive Australia, one in which health equity is addressed and the unacceptable gap in life expectancy is finally closed.

Background

The HealthWISE Board and the HealthWISE Strategic Plan 2023-2027 demonstrates this commitment through the development and implementation of an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cultural Inclusion Framework. The Framework sets out the systems and actions that will be embedded into HealthWISE policy and activity, supported by robust clinical and cultural governance.

A committee comprised of HealthWISE executive and team members from across the organisation ensure the initiatives and actions outlined in the Framework are undertaken.

Aims

The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cultural Inclusion Committee shall:

- Report to the Clinical and Cultural Governance Committee of the HealthWISE Board
- Ensure cultural capability is upheld within the organisation
- Implement the Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Employment Strategy
- Provide guidance and direction for culturally appropriate community engagement
- Ensure culturally safe practices align with the Framework and are embedded in service development and delivery
- Ensure the Framework is implemented in a timely matter

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