



Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Strategy Group

Communique – October 2025

The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Strategy Group (Strategy Group) is chaired by Karl Briscoe, CEO of the National Association of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Workers and Practitioners (NAATSIHWP).

This was the first full Strategy Group full meeting for 2025 held both face to face in Canberra, ACT and online.

Members discussed:

1. Development of the strategic objectives of the cultural safety theme of the National Scheme Strategy.
2. Development of the next iteration of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health and Cultural Safety Strategy – goals and vision.
3. Other business:

Next meeting

19 November 2025

Attendees

- Karl Briscoe, Chair, National Indigenous Health Leadership Alliance and CEO, NAATSIHWP (Chair)
- Melissa Browning, Program Manager Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Strategy Unit, Ahpra
- Marilyn Morgan, Deputy Chair, National Indigenous Health Leadership Alliance and Partner, Langston and Associates Consulting
- Mark Edwards, Executive Director, People and Culture, Ahpra
- Jayde Fuller, National Director, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Strategy Unit, Ahpra
- Monica Lambley, A/Executive Director, Health Regulation, Ahpra
- Alley Peck, A/Executive Director, Corporate Affairs and Regulatory Governance, Ahpra
- Rachel Phillips, Chair Psychology Board of Australia, Chair of Forum of National Chairs
- Helen Townley, A/Executive Director, Health Workforce, Ahpra
- Justin Untersteiner, CEO, Ahpra
- Professor Lisa Whop, Community Member, Australian National University
- Olli Wynyard Gonfond, National Director, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People and Cultural Programs, People and Culture, Ahpra

Apologies

- Dr Ali Drummond, Congress of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Nurses and Midwives (CATSINaM)
- Belinda 'Bel' Gibbs, Director, Indigenous Policy and Programs, Australian Medical Council
- Linda Renouf, Paramedicine Board of Australia

Presentations

- Distinguished Professor Yin Paradies, Consultant