

Communique

July 2025

The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Practice Accreditation Committee (the Committee) publishes this communiqué on its [webpage](#). Please forward it to anyone who may be interested.

Committee meeting

The 52nd meeting of the Committee was held in Melbourne on 17 July 2025.

This communiqué highlights key discussions and considerations from the meeting.

Accreditation assessments and monitoring activities

Accreditation decision

The Committee made accreditation decisions for nine education providers transitioning to the Certificate IV in Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Primary Health Care Practice training package (HLT40221 program). The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Practice Board of Australia (Board) will consider the Committee's accreditation decisions at an upcoming meeting.

Monitoring – conditions / monitoring requirements

The Committee considered monitoring responses from three education providers. The Committee's decisions and monitoring status reports will be provided to the education providers and the Board after the meeting.

Routine monitoring

The Committee considered 2025 routine monitoring reports from seven education providers. The outcomes of the Committee's evaluations will be provided to the education providers following the meeting. The Committee will consider a further six 2025 routine monitoring reports from education providers at its November 2025 meeting. The Board will be provided an update after all 2025 routine monitoring reports are considered by the Committee.

Discussion items

Current issues

The Committee discussed the work underway by Health Ministers into addressing family, domestic and sexual violence. The development of a common professional capability on addressing family, domestic and sexual violence could apply across all health professions and if so, will have an impact on education programs.

2019 Accreditation standards for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health practice review

The review of the 2019 Accreditation standards for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Practice project commenced in March 2024. The project is being conducted in conjunction with the Chinese Medicine, Medical Radiation Practice, Paramedicine and Podiatry Accreditation Committees. At the meeting the Project Team gave a verbal update on the progress of the review, and that public consultations closed at the end of June 2025. The Project Team is now collating the responses.

Health Professions Accreditation Collaborative Forum

A verbal update on the Health Professions Accreditation Collaborative Forum's (HPACF) February and May 2025 meetings was provided. More information can be found on the HPACF's [website](#).

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Stakeholder relationships/partnerships

In March 2025 an information session was held regarding the 2025 routine monitoring report and templates. Education providers across Australia were invited to attend. The information session was well received and the Committee plans continue to invite education providers to attend annually.

Next meeting

The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for November 2025.

Contact information

For any queries related to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health practice program accreditation, please contact the Committee via the Program Accreditation team at program.accreditation@ahpra.gov.au.