

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultural awareness training for non-RACGP members in general practices

North Western Primary Health Network (NWMPHN) and the Royal Australian College of General Practitioners (RACGP) are offering free self-directed Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultural awareness training to non-member general practices.

This is an opportunity to take advantage of a valuable training usually only offered free to RACGP members.

The training is a 6-hour online module covering Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture and history. It is designed to enhance cultural awareness for practice staff, and thus improve health outcomes for patients. By participating in this training, your practice may be eligible to apply for the Australian Government's Practice Incentives Program (PIP) Indigenous Health Incentive.

Expressions of interest are now invited. Training is limited to 25 people.

Participants will:

- extend their knowledge about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander history and culture
- explore how attitudes and values can influence perceptions, assumptions, and behaviours in a clinical setting
- discuss key issues facing the practice team and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and consider ways to address them.

How to apply

To participate please complete this [expression of interest form](#).

Applications close at 5pm AEST on Friday, 28 July 2023.

Please direct all enquiries to:

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Eligibility criteria

To be eligible for the training, participants must be:

- working at a general practice located in [NWMPHN region](#)
- not a member with the RACGP.

Participation requirements

Participants will be required to:

- successfully complete the training module by 31 December 2023
- complete all evaluation activities
- have access to a stable internet connection and relevant IT equipment.

About the PIP Indigenous Health Incentive

The [PIP Indigenous Health Incentive](#) supports general practices, Aboriginal medical services and Aboriginal community controlled health services to provide better health care for their patients. This includes best practice management of chronic diseases and mental disorders.

It began in 2010, as a component of the Council of Australian Government's National Partnership Agreement on Closing the Gap: Tackling Indigenous Chronic Disease.

About Primary Health Networks

Funded by the Australian Government Department of Health and Aged Care, Primary Health Networks (PHNs) began operation on 1 July 2015 and are responsible for coordinating primary health care and facilitating improved health outcomes in their local community. Melbourne Primary Care Network operates North Western Melbourne Primary Health Network (NWMPHN).

We acknowledge the peoples of the Kulin nation as the Traditional Owners of the land on which our work in the community takes place. We pay our respects to their Elders past and present.



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