### Who we are

We are the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Practice Board of Australia (the Board).

If you become a Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Health Practitioner, you'll be registered with us.

I love my job as an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Health Practitioner. I know that we have unique skills that make people feel safe when they access their healthcare.

We're a profession that is important in the health system, just like doctors, nurses and podiatrists.

Being an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Health Practitioner means you can work in all kinds of places: urban, regional, remote, communitycontrolled health services, public, private, health policy, administration, research, universities, not for profits.

Get started on a career where you will help your community be healthy.

To find out more, go to our website www.atsihealthpracticeboard.gov.au



#### **Renee Owen**

Chair, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Practice Board of Australia

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### What you can do

Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Health Practitioners provide a broad range of services to their communities. These services may include:

- primary healthcare
- clinical services (e.g. immunisations, vaccinations, diabetes care)
- assessment and screening of physical health and social emotional wellbeing
- health promotion
- providing healthcare according to care plans and/ or treatment protocols
- administering and supplying medications
- supporting clients in self-management, including the safe use of traditional and Western medications
- planning, delivering and evaluating population health programs
- advocating for clients, including interpreting and translating language
- providing advice, support and training on providing culturally safe health services to other health professionals, policy makers, researchers and educators
- management activities
- education and training of health workers and other health professionals, and
- team care arrangements.

We would love to discuss the services you can offer, or answer any questions that you have about this list.

You can also talk to your employer about your unique skills and capabilities that you can bring to your job.



### How you can make a difference

If you become an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Health Practitioner, you will have a unique role! Why? Because you will bring both clinical skills and the ability to respond to the social and cultural needs of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander families and communities.

We know that Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Peoples' health needs to be improved. We also know that Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people need access to culturally safe, preventative health care and treatment services to experience health equity.

As an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Health Practitioner, you can make a difference to the health of your community.

## You'll be listed on the online public register of health practitioners

People will be able to see that you are a registered health practitioner.

You can check if someone is registered with us by searching the free online public register at www.ahpra.gov.au

- 1. Find the heading 'Check your health practitioner is registered'.
- 2. Type their family name or registration number.
- 3. Select 'Aboriginal or Torres Strait
  Islander Health Practitioner' from the
  drop down menu.
- 4. Search.

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# Becoming an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Health Practitioner

Here's the pathway to be registered as an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Health Practitioner:



Be identified as an Aboriginal and/ or Torres Strait Islander person



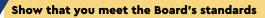
See the list at
www.ahpra.gov.au/Accreditation/
Approved-Programs-of-Study

Complete an approved program of study



Apply for registration with the Board and the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (Ahpra)

Go to www.ahpra.gov.au/registration



**Gain registration** 

Maintain continuing professional development and recency of practice

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Renew registration each year

### Get in touch

#### Website

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