



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



IF I DECIDE TO JOIN IAHA, WHAT IS EXPECTED OF ME?

IAHA is a member-based Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander organisation. As such, members will get different benefits from membership depending on the degree to which they choose to engage with IAHA, its other members and any available supports and resources. As a national organisation we encourage all members to be actively engaged.

IAHA members have told us they gain the most benefit from membership when they:

- actively pursue strong relationships and networks across diverse professions and geographic locations, both in Australia and internationally
- actively influence and contribute to national discussions around issues that are important to the health and wellbeing of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples
- choose to actively promote allied health careers in their local area
- engage with and share information through IAHA social media
- access the IAHA online mentoring program (as either mentor/mentee or both) and benefit from the incredible expertise found within our membership and networks
- access professional development opportunities and scholarships when available
- access and promote the IAHA Student Representative Committee and student initiatives
- read our monthly eNewsletters so they can stay up to date with current Indigenous and allied health issues and opportunities
- apply and/or nominate people for a National Indigenous Allied Health Award to celebrate your achievements
- allow IAHA to profile their journey into allied health so that they can provide inspiration and be role models to others
- provide constructive feedback to IAHA so that the organisation can continue to improve and evolve.
- contribute to the leadership, governance and direction of an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander organisation



**JOIN NOW, CHOOSE TO BE ACTIVE AND
MAKE A DIFFERENCE!**

I AM AN ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER NURSE/MIDWIFE/ DOCTOR/HEALTH WORKER/PRACTITIONER, CAN I BE A MEMBER OF IAHA?

Yes, we welcome all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health professionals and students to join IAHA as associate members. IAHA can also provide information about other Indigenous organisations that may be relevant to your profession.

I AM A NON-INDIGENOUS HEALTH PROFESSIONAL, CAN I BE A MEMBER OF IAHA?

Yes, we welcome non-Indigenous health professionals and students to join IAHA as associate members.

IS THERE A COST TO JOIN IAHA?

There is no cost for individuals to join IAHA as full or associate members. However corporate members are asked to provide a tax deductible donation that will contribute to the IAHA Member Support Fund.

IF I DONATE MONEY TO IAHA, WHAT IS IT USED FOR? AND IS IT TAX DEDUCTABLE?

Unless stipulate by the donor, all donations to IAHA are quarantined for an IAHA Member Support Fund which provides professional development scholarships and student bursaries. IAHA does not receive any core funding for these support mechanisms.

IAHA is a not-for-profit organisation and endorsed charitable institution and has deductible gift recipient (DGR) status. All donations are tax deductible and any organisations or individuals who would like to contribute to the IAHA Member Support Fund are encouraged to talk to IAHA about the potential benefits of doing so.

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