

# Expression of Interest: Canada and Australia Indigenous Health and Wellbeing Youth Committee

# What is this all about?

We are developing a committee of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people who are interested and passionate about advancing the health and wellbeing of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in Australia and First Nations people in Canada. The committee will be made up of (up to 20) Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander professionals and community advocates aged between 18-30. The committee is a subgroup of the Canada and Australia Indigenous Health and Wellbeing Working Group established in 2017.

## What do we do?

The Australian group will work with a partner group of First Nations people in Canada. Collectively the committee will work to identify common priority areas relevant to Indigenous young people and develop a workplan to advance the health and wellbeing of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and First Nations young people. See the attached Terms of Reference for more information.

# Who is involved?

Currently the group has three members, Co-Chair Seth Westhead (South Australian Health and Medical Research Institute), Co-Chair Nadia Neal (University of Wollongong) and Indi Clarke (Koorie Youth Council).

# Who are we looking for?

We are looking for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who are passionate, driven and willing to contribute to progress our aim. We need thinkers, doers, problem-solvers and communicators. We are looking for people from a range of different backgrounds and experiences including young professionals, community advocates, academics and people working at a grass-roots community level. Those selected for committee positions will need to commit for a minimum 12-month period. During this time members will need to attend several teleconferences, an online planning workshop in July 2020.

### How do you apply?

Applications can be completed using the form below or answering the below questions via video. Applicants must also submit a minimum of two references from Aboriginal/and or Torres Strait Islander people. This may include employers, teachers, community elders and leaders. References may be submitted as a letter, video or direct email to CanAustYouth@gmail.com. Over the phone references may be submitted where needed.

Applications will close on the **30th of June 2020**. Please email any questions and completed Expressions of Interest to: CanAustYouth@gmail.com.

# **EXPRESSION OF INTEREST: WHAT DO WE WANT TO KNOW?**

Name:	
Date of birth:	//
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander:	<ul> <li>Aboriginal</li> <li>Torres Strait Islander</li> <li>Both</li> <li>Other</li> </ul>
Mob(s) <i>(if known):</i>	
Address:	
Phone number:	
Email Address:	
First language:	
Can you attend an online workshop in June?	<ul><li>Yes</li><li>No</li><li>Unsure</li></ul>

# **About You**

**Can you tell us a little bit about your work experience...** (Up to 100 words in dot points/paragraph or 20 seconds of video)

Can you tell us a little bit about your education... (Up to 100 words in dot points/paragraph or 20 seconds of video)

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# Help us understand why you would be a good member:

Can you tell us a little bit about what you have done to support your community and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people? (Up to 200 words or 30 seconds of video).

Note:

- Can be in dot points or paragraphs
- Think about what you have done in regards to sport, for community events such as NAIDOC, in research, mentoring, boards or committees, in school or work.
- Can be at a local, state or national level

## How can you see this experience benefiting both you and your community?

(Up to 200 words or 30 seconds of video).

#### Note:

- Can be in dot points or paragraphs
- Can be at a local, state or national level

# We have limited funding for travel and logistics, how do you think you could assist us to fundraise?

(Up to 200 words or 30 seconds of video)

#### Note:

- Can be in dot points or paragraphs
- Can be fundraising to support yourself or the whole group

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Is there anything else you would like to add? (Up to 200 words or 30 seconds of video)

# References

My references from two Aboriginal and /or Torres Strait Islander people are:

- A letter (see attachment)
- They will send an email to CanAustYouth@gmail.com.
- Able to chat over the phone. The best contact number is: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_