



**EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST TO JOIN THE INDIGENOUS ALLIED HEALTH AUSTRALIA (IAHA) NATIONAL  
ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER HEALTH ACADEMY GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE**

Dear IAHA Members,

We would like to invite you to join IAHA's National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Academy Governance Committee.

The membership of the IAHA's National Health Academy Program Governance Committee (the Governance Committee) will provide strategic leadership, advice and direction on the implementation of the National Health Academies. The Governance Committee will meet a minimum of four times a year which is aligned with the Australian state and territory school semesters. The Committee will meet either via teleconference or face to face.

We are seeking to fill three available positions from IAHA Full Membership – Allied Health Graduate, Allied Health Student and/or Assistant Workforce and one representative from IAHA's Associate membership – Individual.

The role of the Governance Committee includes:

- Promoting equitable access for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people to development, education, training and permanent employment opportunities.
- Contributing to future strategic workforce and education modelling by reviewing sector trends aligned to young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.
- Generating capability and networks to help build skills, service and employment opportunities in health and other career sectors.
- Ensuring that the National Health Academy program is providing high-quality education and training that is meeting the cultural aspirations and needs of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Communities.
- Supporting the cultural governance, including the cultural safety and responsiveness, of the National Health Academy Program.
- Ensuring that the Governance Committee is fulfilling its duties, through an annual self-assessment of its performance against these terms of reference, reporting to the IAHA Chief Executive Officer.

## **MEMBERSHIP & STRUCTURE**

The IAHA Board, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander members, and peak organisation representatives will be appointed through the IAHA Board of Directors. IAHA member positions will be subject to an application process, however members may be approached to apply for or be appointed to unfilled vacancies.

The Governance Committee members are asked to serve an initial two-year term, but may be invited to renew their membership or recommend a replacement member from their particular field or area of expertise.

It would be greatly appreciated if you could please indicate your interest in a brief statement of no more than 300 words, outlining why you are interested in joining the IAHA's National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Academy National Governance Committee, which can be sent via email to [academy@iaha.com.au](mailto:academy@iaha.com.au) by 26<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

The terms of reference for the Governance committee is available on the IAHA website [HERE](#), and if you have any queries regarding this matter, please contact Paul Gibson via email [paul@iaha.com.au](mailto:paul@iaha.com.au) or on (02) 6285 1010.

Yours sincerely

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