



**ULTIMATE STUDENT  
LEADERSHIP CHALLENGE**



**27-29 NOV 2026**

**BOORLOO  
(PERTH)**

**SPONSORSHIP PROSPECTUS**



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## SUPPORT THE 2026 IAHA ULTIMATE STUDENT LEADERSHIP CHALLENGE (USLC)

IAHA is inviting you to support Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students to participate in an exciting clinical and cultural exchange of knowledges, perspectives and skills.

**DATE: 27-29 November 2026**

**VENUE: TBC - Boorloo (Perth)**

### INTRODUCTION

The IAHA Ultimate Student Leadership Challenge (USLC) is a three-day cultural and professional leadership program that is designed to support students in the development of a wide range of skills and leadership in a health context. Working collaboratively, the students will bring their cultural and professional knowledges to the fore as they develop a management plan in response to a complex case study. The challenge will empower them and fellow health student peers to lead in providing holistic, culturally safe, and multidisciplinary care.

The USLC program is underpinned by IAHA's Cultural Responsiveness in Action Framework and Theory of Change which act as tools to support all people working with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, families, and communities in a strengths-based and culturally responsive way.

The USLC is a learning experience for Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander health students designed to educate the nation's next generation of health care professionals in building on their clinical and cultural capabilities.







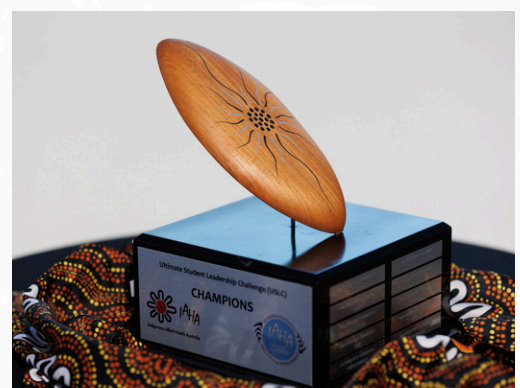
## HOW THE CHALLENGE WORKS

IAHA USLC coordinators allocate participants into multidisciplinary teams of between 4-6 students, with a diversity of disciplines, gender, cultural connection, and experience represented. Teams are announced in the first gathering. The groups will undertake some team building exercises, and receive a complex Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander case study. Teams will work together over the course of the weekend, with the assistance of mentors including professional and cultural mentors, to prepare a patient care and recovery plan based on the case study. Teams are encouraged to bring their clinical and cultural lenses to the case study and will also need to consider the context of the individual, their family, community, and service landscape to provide holistic and comprehensive care.

Teams will each have seven minutes to present their plan to an expert judging panel. Following the presentation of their case management plan, each team will be given an extension question and have five minutes to present. This represents a real-life scenario in health care when there is a 'curve ball' while providing comprehensive and holistic care. Teams are assessed throughout the whole process on their collaborative leadership, role clarification, culturally safe and responsive care, client and family centred practice, interprofessional communication, team functioning, ethics and their understanding of the social and cultural determinants of health. Considering the complexity of the case study, teams have access to highly qualified profession-specific mentors and cultural mentors for a specified allocated time throughout the challenge, therefore teams need to be strategic in asking focussed questions to help develop the plan.

The two teams that demonstrate a mastery of teamwork, leadership and communication in the heats will proceed to The Final! The Final is showcased in the IAHA National Conference program. The final two teams get to demonstrate their case management plans to conference delegates and stakeholders.

The IAHA USLC is an opportunity for participants to apply their cultural and clinical skills in a practical manner, develop their leadership skills, network, and get feedback from experts in a culturally safe space to ultimately become a better clinician.



The USLC winners trophy



## BENEFITS OF SPONSORSHIP

- **Exposure** to a national audience within allied health and Indigenous health
- **Recognition** including acknowledgment and clear demonstration of your organisation's commitment and support
- **Opportunities** to raise your company profile amongst a valuable target audience during the 2026 USLC and IAHA National Conference
- **Expand** relationships and extend your networks with government, business and Indigenous health stakeholders
- **Learn** first-hand from the emerging Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander allied health workforce
- **Inclusion** in the targeted marketing campaign
- **Support** the future allied health workforce
- **Demonstrate** your commitment to growing and developing an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health workforce
- **Commitment** to culturally safe and responsive health care free of racism.



The IAHA USLC will be promoted through various sectors, including academia, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health services, allied health and other health professional associations, governments, community organisations, and allied health stakeholders.

A range of sponsorship opportunities are listed on the following pages for consideration. However, specific or tailored packages can be negotiated. The 2026 IAHA USLC and following events provide many opportunities for sponsorship participation and are in no way limited. We would welcome the opportunity to discuss your marketing objectives and any further ideas you may have on individual sponsorship.

## 2026 USLC DATES

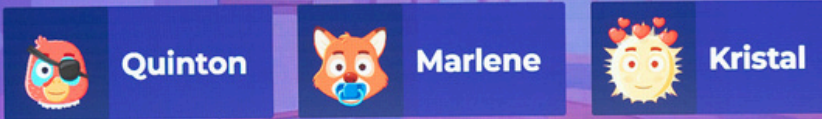
Thursday 26 November 2026	Rural/remote based students commence travel to Boorloo
Friday 27 November 2026	<p>All students arrive for USLC</p> <p>USLC event</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• USLC commences</li> <li>• Teams announced</li> <li>• Team preparation</li> <li>• Cultural Mentor sessions</li> <li>• Team Facilitator sessions</li> <li>• Student Dinner</li> </ul>
Saturday 28 November 2026	<p>USLC event</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• USLC continues</li> <li>• Team preparation</li> <li>• Professional Mentor sessions</li> <li>• Access to wellbeing support</li> <li>• Student networking dinner</li> </ul>
Sunday 29 November 2026	<p>USLC event</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Team preparation</li> <li>• Professional / Cultural Mentoring sessions</li> <li>• USLC Heats</li> </ul>
Monday 30 November 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pre conference workshops</li> <li>• IAHA National Conference Welcome Event</li> </ul>
Tuesday 1 December 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• IAHA National Conference Day 1</li> <li>• IAHA National Awards and and Gala Dinner</li> </ul>
Wednesday 2 December 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• IAHA National Conference Day 2</li> <li>• USLC Finals</li> <li>• Closing Ceremony / IAHA Markets</li> </ul>
Thursday 3 December 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• IAHA Members Forum (half day)</li> <li>• Students depart</li> </ul>



## SPONSORSHIP PACKAGES AT A GLANCE

Show your support for our organisation and our members by purchasing a sponsorship opportunity for the 2026 IAHA Ultimate Student Leadership Challenge

SPONSORSHIP PACKAGES	INVESTMENT
<b>Barrandhang (Koala)</b> (Page 7) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>2026 Ultimate Student Leadership Challenge (USLC)</li></ul>	\$50,000
<b>Wambuwuny (Grey Kangaroo)</b> (Page 8) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Professional and Cultural Supports</li></ul>	\$30,000
<b>Biladurang (Platypus)</b> (Page 8) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Student Social and Emotional Wellbeing</li></ul>	\$20,000
<b>Wandayali (Echidna)</b> (Page 9) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>USLC Prizes</li><li>Student Dinner</li><li>USLC Backpack</li></ul>	\$10,000 \$10,000 \$10,000
<b>Dinawan (Emu)</b> (Page 10) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>USLC T-Shirts</li></ul>	\$7,000
<b>Wilway (Brush Tailed Possum)</b> (Page 11) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Moorditj Cultural Package</li><li>Coffee Cart</li></ul>	\$6,000 \$6,000
<b>Scholarships</b> (Page 12)	\$5,000



## BARRANDHANG (KOALA)

\* GST exclusive

### 2026 IAHA Ultimate Student Leadership Challenge (USLC): \$50,000\*

**This annual event provides IAHA Student Members with a truly unique educational experience. In addition, sponsoring this event demonstrates a strong commitment to supporting and building the future Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health workforce.**

#### **Your investment will give your organisation:**

- Acknowledgement as the Major Sponsor of the 2026 IAHA Ultimate Student Leadership Challenge
- Name and logo on IAHA Ultimate Student Leadership Challenge materials
- Two complimentary IAHA National Conference registrations (including Gala Dinner and Awards)
- Complimentary Exhibitor Booth
- Verbal acknowledgement at the 2026 IAHA National Conference, Gala Dinner and Awards
- Verbal acknowledgement at the 2026 IAHA National Conference Welcome Event
- Opportunity to speak at the 2026 IAHA Ultimate Student Leadership Challenge
- Recognition and prominent signage throughout the IAHA Ultimate Student Leadership Challenge
- Organisation name, logo and sponsorship status on the IAHA website with link to the homepage
- Organisation name, logo and sponsorship status on IAHA e-Newsletter, which is distributed weekly to over 8,000 members and stakeholders
- Recognition in the conference app
- Promotional material in the USLC backpacks

#### **Why Invest?**

Your contribution will:

- Support and engage with an incredible group of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health students
- Facilitate collaborative leadership skills development in the nation's next generation of health care professionals
- Support interprofessional education and innovative multidisciplinary learning

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## WAMBUWUNY (GREY KANGAROO)

**1 Opportunity: \$30,000**

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### Professional and Cultural Supports

Sponsoring this package will support the participating students by providing professional, cultural and educational Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander mentors and leaders. Providing these mentors and leaders builds leadership skills, leads towards better interdisciplinary practice, builds relationships between graduates and students and encourages employment opportunities.

#### Your investment will give your organisation:

- Acknowledgement as Sponsor of the Mentoring and Leadership package
- One complimentary registration for the 2026 IAHA National Conference (Including Gala Dinner and Awards)
- Recognition in the conference app
- Promotional material in USLC backpack
- Organisation name, logo and sponsorship status displayed on all promotional material
- Organisation name, logo and sponsorship status in IAHA newsletter

## BILADURANG (PLATYPUS)

**1 Opportunity: \$15,000**

\* GST exclusive



### Student Social and Emotional Wellbeing

Supporting our students' Social and Emotional Wellbeing is crucial in developing and securing our future workforce. Your sponsorship of this package will ensure our students are supported through their learning journey at the 2026 USLC and National Conference.

#### Your investment will give your organisation:

- Acknowledgement as sponsor of the student Social and Emotional Wellbeing package
- Prominent signage displayed at the IAHA USLC
- Organisation name, logo and sponsorship status on all promotional material
- Organisation name, logo and sponsorship status in IAHA Newsletter
- Recognition in the conference app
- Your organisation's promotional material in the USLC backpack

## Why Invest?

Your contribution will:

- Contribute to Closing the Gap in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health outcomes
- Enhance our delegates' experience through access to the latest conference technology
- Support the personal and professional development of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health professionals

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# WANDAYALI (ECHIDNA)

## 3 Opportunities: \$10,000\*

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### IAHA Ultimate Student Leadership Challenge (USLC) Prizes

Exceptional teamwork and leadership deserve to be incentivised. Our future Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health leaders shine during the 2026 IAHA Ultimate Student Leadership Challenge, and you have the opportunity to reward them for their outstanding contributions.

#### Your investment will give your organisation:

- Acknowledgement as sponsor of the IAHA USLC
- Prominent signage displayed at the IAHA USLC
- Organisation name, logo and sponsorship status on all promotional material
- Organisation name, logo and sponsorship status in IAHA Newsletter
- Recognition in the conference app
- Your organisation's promotional material in the USLC backpack
- Opportunity to co-present awards and prizes and have a photo taken with recipients for your promotion



### Student Dinners *Two Opportunities*

The Student Dinners provide participants with the opportunity to connect and network with each other in a friendly and safe space. These events will also allow our participants the opportunity to view Boorloo (Perth) in a different light, while experiencing the culture of the traditional owners of the area.

#### Your investment will give your organisation:

- Acknowledgement as Sponsor of the 2026 IAHA USLC Dinner
- Prominent signage displayed at 2026 IAHA USLC Dinner
- Recognition in the conference app
- Your organisation's promotional material in the USLC backpack

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### USLC Backpack

Feature your organisation's logo on our one of a kind 2026 IAHA USLC backpacks. Carried by every student at the USLC in the surrounding areas of Boorloo (Perth) and back home in the communities and universities of our students.

#### **Your investment will give your organisation:**

- Prominent logo displayed on all 2026 IAHA USLC backpacks
- Your organisation's promotional material in the backpack
- Organisation name, logo and sponsorship status on promotional material

## DINAWAN (EMU)

**1 Opportunity: \$7,000**

\* GST exclusive



### USLC T-Shirt Sponsor

Feature your organisations logo on our 2026 IAHA USLC T-Shirts. These will be given to every participant at the event. This is a prime opportunity to increase brand awareness for your organisation not only during the 2026 IAHA USLC but on going as our participants wear their t-shirts in their communities, universities and workplaces.

#### **Your investment will give your organisation:**

- Acknowledgement as a sponsor of the 2026 IAHA USLC T-shirt
- Organisation name, logo, and sponsorship status on promotional material
- Prominent logo on all USLC T-shirt
- Five T-shirts given to your organisation

## Why Invest?

Your contribution will:

- Contribute to Closing the Gap in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health outcomes
- Support interprofessional education and innovative multidisciplinary learning on a national level
- Support and celebrate an incredible group of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health students

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# WILWAY (BRUSH TAILED POSSUM)

## 2 Opportunities \$6,000\*

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### Moorditj Cultural Package

Culture is the key component of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health and wellbeing. By sponsoring this package, you will support our students to have access to cultural content that may include cultural activities Smoking Ceremonies, Welcome to Countries and dancers.

#### Your investment will give your organisation:

- Acknowledgement as the Sponsor of the Cultural Activities during the USLC weekend
- Prominent signage displayed at sponsored activities



### Coffee Cart

Everyone loves a good coffee in the morning to start the day. So sponsor this opportunity, and our delegates will be forever grateful!

#### Your investment will give your organisation:

- Prominent signage displayed at the coffee cart during the USLC weekend

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## SCHOLARSHIP SPONSOR

### Multiple Opportunities: \$5,000\*

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Sponsorship is sought to fund professional development scholarships for IAHA membership. Scholarship recipients will receive accommodation and registration assistance based on specific eligibility and assessment criteria (guidelines available upon request).

These professional development scholarships will assist IAHA members in attending the 2026 Ultimate Student Leadership Challenge to develop new skills, share knowledge and expertise, and build confidence to advance their careers.

If you're attending the IAHA Conference, IAHA seeks to introduce you to your sponsored student(s) for networking and photo opportunities.

### Your investment will give the student:

- Travel including transfers on arrival to Boorloo (Perth)
- Accommodation
- Meals
- Full attendance at the Ultimate Student Leadership Challenge which includes: USLC polo, access to resources, SEWB room, cultural and professional mentoring, networking opportunity
- 2026 IAHA National Conference registration, including: Welcome Event, IAHA National Dinner/Awards and Closing Event (IAHA Markets)
- 2026 IAHA Members Forum

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## SPONSORSHIP EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

### Organisation details:

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### Sponsorship details: (All figures are GST exclusive)

#### Barrandhang (Koala)

- ☐ IAHA Ultimate Student Leadership Challenge \$50,000

#### Wambuwuny (Grey Kangaroo)

- ☐ Professional and Cultural Supports \$30,000

#### Biladurang (Platypus)

- ☐ Student Social and Emotional Wellbeing \$20,000

#### Wandayali (Echidna)

- ☐ USLC Prizes \$10,000  
☐ Student Dinner \$10,000  
☐ USLC Backpack \$10,000

#### Dinawan (Emu)

- ☐ T-Shirts \$7,000

#### Wilway (Brush Tailed Possum)

- ☐ Moorditj Cultural Package \$6,000  
☐ Coffee Cart \$6,000

#### Scholarships

- ☐ Scholarships \$5,000 (per scholarship)

Please enter the number of scholarships you wish to sponsor in the box

I hereby declare I have read, understood and agree to the sponsorship benefits set forth in the sponsorship information kit and understand that approval on advertising materials is subject to IAHA approval.

Signature:

Date:





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