

National Strategic Roadmap for an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community Controlled Environmental Health Workforce

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3pm Wednesday 7 September

NACCHO's Executive Director, Monica Barolits-McCabe will facilitate a dynamic workshop that outlines the core elements of an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community Controlled Environmental Health Workforce and the National Strategic Roadmap.

- NACCHO will announce the terms of reference of the National Strategic Roadmap for an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community Controlled Environmental Health Workforce.
- A panel of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander environmental health experts will kick start a wideranging discussion among participants about key priorities.
- Meet the national team.

This workshop marks the beginning of NACCHO's national consultations about the Roadmap. We invite conversation and representation of the diversity of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander perspectives, so all are welcome to join the discussion.

At NACCHO we are committed to co-design, so all participants will be kept informed about future consultations and working groups as NACCHO takes on this vital two-year project to develop the National Strategic Roadmap. Participants will also receive a workshop summary for their own reference.

"In mainstream Australia, hardly anyone recognises the role that environmental health plays. For the majority of the population, environmental health is silently present. Water, sanitation, rubbish, housing standards, food safety, everything is all taken for granted. In mainstream settings, there is no battle for recognition or resources for environmental health from finance departments. There is nothing more to prove and a fully resourced framework is in place. But Aboriginal environmental health is something else again. Aboriginal environmental health combines deep cultural knowledge of how things work in Aboriginal communities with these hard scientific facts about disease. Aboriginal environmental health must forge high-trust partnerships with community. Aboriginal environmental health is a community asset ... and Aboriginal environmental health is needed now more than ever."

Pat Turner, CEO, NACCHO NATSIEH Conference, Perth, 17 September 2019

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