

TAKING A COMMUNITY- DRIVEN, ONE HEALTH APPROACH TO COMPANION ANIMAL HEALTH & MANAGEMENT



HEALTHY ANIMALS, HEALTHY, PROUD COMMUNITIES



Empowering, advocating for, and facilitating veterinary & animal-focused education services in rural and remote Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities nationally.

Partnering with communities and other stakeholders, AMRRIC:

- ▶ Facilitates veterinary services
- ▶ Supports Councils, Aboriginal Corporations & related service providers delivering animal management
- ▶ Provides animal-related education & training
- ▶ Provides advocacy, tools & resources for best practice animal management programs
- ▶ Contributes to One Health research, emergency response & biosecurity surveillance





KEYS TO AMRRIC'S APPROACH

- ▶ Understanding and respecting peoples' connection to their animals
- ▶ Working with all stakeholders to co-design and implement culturally appropriate, tailored programs that meet the needs of the community as a whole
- ▶ Building trust, valuing relationships, and advocating best practice, with experience and authenticity

CORE AREAS OF WORK

Facilitating access to **equitable, effective, and affordable animal health products and veterinary services** that aim to improve companion animal population health and management.

Advocacy, Strategic Planning and Research to build the One Health evidence base and improve sustainability of effective remote community animal health and management programs.

Developing and collaboratively delivering contextually appropriate **animal-related education and training** to help improve local capacity and work towards building a skilled animal management workforce.



AMRRIC has evolved to be a knowledge broker, acting as a resource for:

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES

- To design, resource, implement, monitor and evaluate animal management programs;
- By advocating for increased resources, and better understanding and appreciation of remote community animal management needs;
- To connect with experienced veterinary service providers;
- To better promote responsible pet ownership through staff training and community education.

VETERINARY SERVICE PROVIDERS

- By providing guidelines, resources and advice on animal management history of a community, clinical considerations and approaches to community engagement;
- By linking vet service providers with beneficial local community contacts;
- By facilitating mentor/mentee relationships between experienced and newcomer veterinary providers;
- By recruiting, inducting and coordinating vet and vet nurse volunteers to add capacity to contracted veterinarians' programs and enhance program outcomes.

STAKEHOLDERS

- By providing advice on the history, context and complexities of remote community animal management programs for those who may be inexperienced;
- By catalysing relationships with, among and between stakeholders working toward similar goals;
- By promoting evidence-informed decision making, and assisting in the collection and analysis of the data upon which these decisions are founded;
- To promote a culture of responsible animal ownership by providing veterinary and community education tools and resources to assist stakeholders as they implement animal management activities.



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