

# Ngadluko Ngartunnaitya

## FOR OUR CHILDREN



2007 SNAICC National Conference

19 to 21 September 2007 Adelaide Convention Centre

## REGISTRATION BROCHURE

Hosted by the Secretariat of  
National Aboriginal and Islander  
Child Care (SNAICC)



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### Conference features:

- Keynote speakers
- Conference dinner
- Choose from 30 concurrent sessions including papers and workshops
- Displays, art space, audio visuals
- Indigenous entertainment

This Conference will provide an opportunity for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander organisations, policy makers, researchers, government representatives, other non-government organisations and various industry representatives to gather and share their commitment to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children.

# Welcome

CONFERENCE INVITATION FROM THE SNAICC CHAIRPERSON



I have great pleasure in inviting you to participate in the Secretariat of National Aboriginal and Islander Child Care (SNAICC) 2007 National Conference.

This Conference is an opportunity for people who care and work for our children in many ways to meet and share; not just knowledge, good ideas and resources, but also wisdom, inspiration and energy.

The recent political focus on the welfare of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children means that more than ever at this time we need to gather to share our strength, wisdom and energy with each other and with the wider Australian community.

The Conference will be an opportunity to celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture and to learn about successful culturally strong approaches to child and family welfare and early childhood practice. To gather with others, and feel moved by their lives and stories, we will feel our own spirits and energies lift. In this way the lives we live for ourselves, our families, our communities and for our children, will be renewed.

By hearing about the great work that is being done around the country and overseas, we will expand good practice for the benefit of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and families everywhere.

However you choose to participate in the Conference, as a speaker or as a delegate, you will be warmly welcomed. I believe your journey to Kurna country will be well rewarded and I look forward to meeting you on the banks of the Torrens River in the beautiful city of Adelaide in September.

Warm regards

Muriel Bamblett  
SNAICC Chairperson

## Objectives

1. To gather and share stories with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and learn about the role of culture, spirituality, Elders, families and communities in raising children and supporting families.
2. To learn through discussions and displays about different models of successful and culturally strong Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander child and family services in Australia and services for Indigenous peoples overseas.
3. To talk about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander child and family needs and issues in areas such as culture, child care, child development, kinship care and foster care, child abuse and family violence in metropolitan, rural and remote communities.
4. To celebrate the achievement of families and communities in caring for their children, the role of culture and the importance of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children to the nation.
5. To challenge governments and others to develop policies and responses that acknowledge history, respect culture and provide the services and support families and communities need for bringing up Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children.

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# Invited International Keynote Speakers

## Cindy Blackstock



Cindy Blackstock from Canada is a member of the Gitksan Nation. Cindy has worked in the field of child and family services for over twenty years on the front line, in professional development and research. In her current capacity, Cindy is honored to be the Executive Director of the First Nations' Child and

Family Caring Society of Canada ([www.fncaringociety.com](http://www.fncaringociety.com)). Other professional interests include serving as the Co-convenor of the Indigenous Sub Group of The NGO Group for the Convention on the Rights of the Child, Co-director of the Centre of Excellence for Child Welfare, and a member of the Board for Boys and Girls Clubs of Canada and the Canadian Education Association.

## Terry L Cross



Terry Cross (MSW, LCSW (Seneca), ACSW) from the United States is an enrolled member of the Seneca Nation of Indians and is the founder and Executive Director of the National Indian Child Welfare Association. He has 33 years of experience in child welfare, including ten years working directly with families and

is the author of several culturally based publications on tribal child welfare and cultural competence. Terry Cross believes that tribal children receive better services when the adults that make decisions about their lives work cooperatively to empower their families and communities to care for them.

# Invited Australian Keynote Speakers

## Pat Anderson



Pat Anderson is the Chair of the Cooperative Research Centre for Aboriginal Health. Ms Anderson is an Alyawarr woman who is renowned, nationally and internationally, as a powerful advocate for the disadvantaged with a

particular focus on the health of the Indigenous people. She has extensive experience in all aspects of Indigenous health, including community development, advocacy, policy formation and research ethics. Ms Anderson has spoken before the United Nations Working Group on Indigenous people

As co-chair she recently completed an *Inquiry into the Protection of Aboriginal Children from Sexual Abuse* for the Northern Territory Government. In March 2006, Ms Anderson retired from the position of Executive Officer of the Aboriginal Medical Services Alliance Northern Territory (AMSANT), which is the peak body of the Aboriginal community controlled health organisations in the Northern Territory.

Ms Anderson was the CEO of Danila Dilba, the Aboriginal community-controlled health service in Darwin and has been the Chair of the National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (NACCHO), the peak national Indigenous health organisation. She is also a prolific writer and has had many essays, papers and articles published.

## Muriel Bamblett



Muriel Bamblett is a Yorta Yorta woman who is the Chairperson of the Secretariat of National Aboriginal and Islander Child Care (SNAICC). Muriel has been employed as the Chief Executive Officer of the Victorian Aboriginal Child Care Agency (VACCA) since 1999. From 1997–99 Muriel was the Chairperson of VACCA. Muriel is active on many boards concerning children, families and the Indigenous community. She is a member of the Victorian Children's Council;

a committee member of the Victorian Ministerial Council for Vulnerable Children and a Ministerial appointed representative on the Australian Council for Children and Parenting.

Muriel was awarded the 2003 Robin Clark Memorial Award for Inspirational Leadership in the Field of Child and Family Welfare and an AM (Membership in the General Division) in the 2004 Australia Day Honours for her services to the community, particularly through leadership in the provision of services for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and families.

## Jack Beetson



Jack Beetson was born of a Wongaibon mother and a Ngemba father, in Nyngan, New South Wales. He lives and works on the mid north coast of NSW at "Linga Longa", his property outside of Port Macquarie, where he conducts cultural workshops and courses to assist kids in trouble.

Jack was the Executive Director of the Tranby Aboriginal College for 18 years during which time he played a prominent part in achieving self-determination in education for Aboriginal people. Jack retired from Tranby in 2003 to follow his greatest passion – to make a difference in the lives of street kids.

## Brian Butler



Brian Butler is interim Chairperson of the National Indigenous Disability Network Working Party and State Representative of the Aboriginal Disability Network. Brian is the proud eldest son of Emily who belongs to the East Aranda Aboriginal and Luritja people, and has 33 grandchildren and five great grandchildren. Brian is currently the Aboriginal Advocate within the Age Rights Advocacy Service responding to Elders of our community who need support in achieving justice and rights to services. Brian's advocacy work has included SA Zone Commissioner with ATSIC, Chair of the Secretariat of the National Aboriginal Islander Child Care (SNAICC), Chair of the Aboriginal Housing Board of SA, member of the Aboriginal Elders' Council and member of the United Nations Working Group on Indigenous Rights. Brian continues to campaign strongly for human rights for Indigenous peoples at the local grass roots, statewide, nationally and on the international stage. Brian campaigns for zero tolerance against racism, discrimination, abuse towards Elders and children.

## Tom Calma



Tom Calma is an Aboriginal elder from the Kungarakan tribal group and the Iwaidja tribal group whose traditional lands are south west of Darwin and on the Coburg Peninsula in the Northern Territory. He has been involved in Indigenous affairs at a local, community, state, national and international level and worked in the public sector for over 30 years.

Until his appointment on 12 July 2004 as Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner and acting Race Discrimination Commissioner, Mr Calma managed the Community Development and Education Branch at Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Services (ATSIS), where he worked with remote Indigenous communities to implement community-based and driven empowerment and participation programs. In 2003, he was Senior Adviser for Indigenous Affairs to the Minister of Immigration, Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs and from 1995 to 2002 he was a senior diplomat in India and Vietnam.

## Tania Major



Tania Major is a Kokoberra woman from Kowanyama in Cape York. She has completed a degree in Criminology from Griffith University. She is a Youth Development Project Officer at the Cape York Institute for Policy and Leadership. At 21 she became the youngest elected Regional Councillor in the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commis-

sion (ATSIC). In 2007 Tania was announced as the Young Australian of the Year, recognising her leadership efforts and community work with young people in Cape York. Since 2002 Tania has publicly addressed both national and international forums, speaking on Indigenous and youth affairs. She has

sought to challenge what she perceives to be political apathy on issues of Indigenous education and health in mainstream Australia.

## Dr Helen Milroy



Helen Milroy is a descendant of the Palyku people of the Pilbara region of Western Australia. She was born and educated in Perth and studied medicine at the University of Western Australia (UWA). Helen worked as a general practitioner and consultant in childhood sexual abuse at Princess Margaret Hospital for Children for several years before

completing specialist training in child psychiatry. Helen is a member of the RANZCP (Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Psychiatry) committee for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Mental Health and has contributed to the development of position statements, guidelines and curriculum on Indigenous mental health for the college. She is also a member of the Royal Australasian College of Physicians' Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Committee.

At present Helen works as a Consultant Child and Adolescent Psychiatrist at the Bentley Family Clinic and Families at Work residential program. Helen is also an Associate Professor and Director for the Centre for Aboriginal Medical and Dental Health (CAMDH) at UWA.

## Dr Chris Sarra



Dr Chris Sarra is a leader in Indigenous education, with a particular focus on pursuing more positive and productive educational outcomes for Indigenous children. In his time as Principal of Cherbourg State School he facilitated many changes that saw increasing enthusiasm for student learning through dramatically improved school attendance

and increased community involvement in education. Under Chris's leadership the school became nationally acclaimed for its pursuit of the 'Strong and Smart' philosophy. Chris's family is from Bundaberg, Queensland, and he is currently the Director of the Indigenous Education Leadership Institute based at Cherbourg, Queensland.

## The Hon. Mal Brough MP



The Hon. Mal Brough, MP Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs and the Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for Indigenous Affairs.

## Jenny Macklin MP



Jenny Macklin MP, Shadow Minister for Families & Community Services, Indigenous Affairs and Reconciliation

# Some of the Workshop Presenters

## Craig Hammond



Craig Hammond came to his role with the Engaging Fathers Program at the Family Action Centre University of Newcastle with extensive experience in working in the Aboriginal community. Craig grew up in Moree in the Aboriginal community which gave him a sense of belonging and allowed him to develop skills in doing things in the

blackfella way. Growing up in a large family gave him a sense of respect for the value of family and appreciation for the benefits of being part of that community.

For many years he worked as a youth worker with young people in Awabakal Newcastle Co-op. In this role he developed programs to deal with issues such as suicide awareness, recreation, culture camps, drugs and alcohol. Craig liaised with Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal organisations to develop support for young people and to work with them.

Craig's current priorities include how to get through to dads how important their role is to their family. They are not only a dad but also a friend, a role model and a partner. He would like to see Indigenous services take more initiative in recognizing how important men are to the community and looking at the positive contributions that men can give.

## Professor Judy Atkinson



Professor Judy Atkinson introduces herself as coming from the three I's. Indigenous Invader and Immigrant. She identifies as a Jiman / Bundjalung woman who also has Anglo-Celtic, and German heritage. Judy has a BA from the University of Canberra and a Ph.D. from Queensland University of Technology. She is presently the

Chair of the College of Indigenous Australian Peoples at Southern Cross University. Her major academic focus, and the extensive work she has conducted within Indigenous communities across Australia, has been in the area of violence and relational trauma, and healing for Indigenous, and indeed all peoples. She developed the We Al-li / Indigenous Therapies Program designed to address the

critical needs of Indigenous communities around violence / trauma / healing needs, and co-authored the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Women's Task Force on Violence Report for the Queensland Government. Her book: Trauma Trails – Recreating Songlines: The Transgenerational Effects of Trauma in Indigenous Australia, provides context to the life stories of people who have moved/been moved from their country in a process that has created trauma trails, and the healing that can occur as people make connections with each other and share their stories of healing. She developed and teaches in the undergraduate Trauma and Healing degree, and the Masters in Indigenous Studies (wellbeing). Judy uses the healing power of art (music, painting, writing-story) as re-creation of spirit when she is not working in the Academy.

## Kathy Abbott



Kathy Abbott is an Arrente woman who grew up with community. Very early, Kathy developed an interest in health and was one of the first Aboriginal Health Workers in the Northern Territory. She established with a handful of others the Health Workers Association of the Northern Territory.

Kathy has had many roles and is highly respected. It wasn't until she went back to walk with the people that she found what she says is the right way and that was when she set up with the permission of the Elders Akeyulerre, a traditional healing service in Alice Springs.



## Artwork Program

SNAICC invites schools and children's services to encourage Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and young people in their school or service to participate in this year's SNAICC National Conference Children's Artwork Program.

The Artwork Program aims to provide children with an opportunity to participate in the conference and express their ideas about their culture and family, and/or express their hopes for the future.

We encourage you to work with children in your school or service to develop children's artwork - including drawings, paintings, poems, sketches, photos, videos or mosaics - and submit them for display at the conference.

All entries will receive a certificate of appreciation and a DVD of thirteen animated Dreaming stories. The SNAICC conference coordinators will also select one piece of artwork from each state and territory and an additional prize will be awarded to those selected.

If schools/services are interested, they should submit an Expression of Interest to the SNAICC office as soon as possible and obtain a copy of the permission form (each child / young person needs to submit a permission form with their art for it to be shown at the conference) and the Artwork Program Guidelines. Both forms and guidelines can be downloaded from the SNAICC website or obtained by contacting Carmen Isherwood or Julie Higgins on (03) 9489 8099 or [carmen@snaicc.asn.au](mailto:carmen@snaicc.asn.au).

All artwork must be received by 18 August 2007.

## Displays

An opportunity still exists to submit an application to have a display at the conference subject to available space. Displays could involve relevant resources produced by your service; information about your service, project and program ideas that your service is running or has run, and resources your service may wish to sell. A small table and display board will be provided by the Adelaide Convention Centre within the conference budget. To submit an application, download the submission form from the SNAICC website ([www.snaicc.asn.au](http://www.snaicc.asn.au)) or contact Carmen Isherwood, [carmen@snaicc.asn.au](mailto:carmen@snaicc.asn.au) or Julie Higgins, [julie@snaicc.asn.au](mailto:julie@snaicc.asn.au) or by phone on (03) 9489 8099 to obtain a copy of the submission form. Submissions must be received by 31 July 2007.

## DAY 1 WEDNESDAY 19 September

### 8am –8.45am Registration open

### 9am to 10.30am

#### Opening Plenary:

- Welcome Muriel Bamblett Chair SNAICC
- Welcome Sharron Williams SNAICC Executive Member SA
- Welcome to country by Kurna Elder, Uncle Lewis O'Brian
- Taikurtinna Dancers
- Welcome message – The Hon. Jay Weatherill MP, SA Minister for Families and Communities
- Keynote speakers commemorating the tenth anniversary of the *Bringing Them Home* Report

Tom Calma, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission

Brian Butler, Aboriginal Advocate Aged Rights Advocacy Service

### 11am to 12.30pm

#### Plenary – Educational Issues

- Keynote Address: Cindy Blackstock  
Co-Convenor Indigenous Subgroup of The NGO Group for the Convention on the Rights of the Child, Canada
- Keynote Address – Dr Chris Sarra  
Director Indigenous Education Leadership Institute

### 1.30pm to 3pm

#### Concurrent Sessions 1 to 6:

1. Health and Nutrition
2. Early Childhood - MACS
3. Cultural Identity and Development
4. Child Protection and Well Being – Prevention, Early Intervention and Research
5. Cultural Sensitivity in Organisational Practice
6. The Federal Government's Response to the Needs of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children

### 3:30pm to 5pm

#### Concurrent Sessions 7 to 12:

7. Supporting Indigenous Carers
8. Early Childhood – Child Rearing
9. Education for Cultural Identity and Development
10. Cultural Sensitivity in Organisational Practice and Partnerships
11. Engaging Men – Strengthening Men's Role
12. Developing a just and sustainable Child Protection System for the Northern Territory

### 5pm Informal Networking

# CONFERENCE AT A GLANCE

## DAY 2 Thursday 20 September

### 9am to 10.30am

#### Plenary

- Welcome Debbie Bond SNAICC Executive Member SA
- Children's Performance Kura Yerlo Children's Centre
- Keynote Address: Terry Cross, Executive Director National Indian Child Welfare Association USA
- Keynote Ms Pat Anderson, Senior Territorian of Year, Chairperson Cooperative Research Centre for Aboriginal Health and previously Co-chair of NT Inquiry into the Protection of Aboriginal Children from Sexual Abuse.
- Keynote Address – Dr Helen Milroy, Consultant Child and Adolescent Psychiatrist and Director Centre for Aboriginal Medical and Dental Health WA

### 11am to 12.30pm

#### Concurrent Sessions 13 to 18:

13. Supporting Parents in the Early Years
14. Early Childhood Play
15. Child Protection Policy
16. An Indigenous Perspective of Workforce Development and Well Being
17. Putting the Multifunction into the MACS
18. Working with At Risk Indigenous Young People

### 1.30pm to 3pm

#### Concurrent Sessions 19 to 24:

19. Indigenous Children's Literacy and Stories
20. Models for Working With Indigenous Families
21. Out -of-Home Care and Family Support
22. Indigenous Rights, Ethics, Quality Service Delivery
23. Child Protection – Resilience and Well Being
24. Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder, Family Support

### 3:30pm - 5pm

#### Interactive Session and Longer Workshops A to E

- Visit Displays, Art Space, Informal Networking
- Workshop A – Aunty Wendy's Mob Songs and Dances
- Workshop B – Bicultural and Traditional Aboriginal Healing
- Workshop C – Cultural Art and Craft
- Workshop D – Educaring in Healing Childhood Trauma
- Workshop E – Audio-Visual Session
- Workshop F – Community Ways of Evaluating- Making evaluation work for us - the partnership action research evaluation (PARE) and cultural accountability

### Conference Dinner 7pm to 11pm – Convention Centre

1. Sumptuous Dinner
2. Entertainment and Celebration
3. Dinner speaker - Muriel Bamblett Chairperson SNAICC and Executive Director VACCA VIC

## DAY 3 Friday 21 September

### 9am to 10.30am

#### Plenary

- Welcome Garry Matthews SNAICC Deputy Chairperson.
- Performance from Tal-kin-jeri Dancers
- Short Address: The Hon. Mal Brough MP Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs.
- Short Address: Jenny Macklin MP Shadow Minister for Families and Community Services, Shadow Minister for Indigenous Affairs and Reconciliation
- Keynote: Ms Tania Major, Young Australian of the Year and Youth Development Officer, Cape York Leadership Program QLD.
- Keynote Address - Jack Beetson, *Linga Longa* Cultural Workshops for Troubled Youth. *My personal experience of child abuse and the Federal response one year ago and today.*

### 11am to 12.30pm

#### Concurrent Sessions 25 to 30:

- 25 Indigenous Children – Traditions and Rights
- 26 Early Childhood – Learning Language and Literacy
- 27 Working in Remote Communities
- 28 Young People – Accommodation Options
- 29 Child Protection – Family Violence
- 30 Young People and Cultural Connections

### 12.30m to 2pm

#### Closing Luncheon and Celebration

- Closing remarks
- Performance - Kurna Plains Primary School
- Closing Address – Muriel Bamblett Chairperson SNAICC
- Closing luncheon

### 2pm close

Please check [www.snaicc.asn.au](http://www.snaicc.asn.au) for any updates to the program

## Registration open

8am to 8.45pm

## Opening Plenary

9am to 10.30am

- **Welcome – Muriel Bamblett** (Chair SNAICC)
- **Welcome – Sharron Williams** (SA, SNAICC Executive and Chief Executive Officer Aboriginal Family Support Services SA)
- **Welcome to Country – Kurna Elder Uncle Lewis O'Brian**
- **Performance – Taikurtinna Dancers**
- **Welcome message – The Hon. Jay Weatherill MP** (SA Minister for Families and Communities)

**Keynote speakers commemorating the tenth anniversary of the *Bringing Them Home* Report:**

- **Tom Calma** (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner, Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission).  
*A vision for improving the life chances of our children* – a human rights analysis of current issues facing Indigenous people and communities in improving the life chances of Indigenous children.
- **Brian Butler** (Aboriginal Advocate, Aged Rights Advocacy Service).  
*Dream Catchers*

Morning tea

## Plenary

11am to 12.30pm

- **Keynote Address – Cindy Blackstock** (Gitksan First Nation Canada, is co-Convenor of the Sub Group on Indigenous Children (ISG) for the NGO Group on the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child).  
*General Comment on the Rights of Indigenous Children.* This paper will review the goals of the General Comment on The Rights of Indigenous Children for the United Nations Committee on the Rights of the Child and outline opportunities to have input into the draft document. For more information visit [www.isg-ngogroup.org](http://www.isg-ngogroup.org)

- **Keynote Address – Dr Chris Sarra** (Director Indigenous Education Leadership Institute)

*Stronger Smarter Future Realities for Indigenous children.* Will showcase the future work of the Institute in facilitating educational outcomes for Indigenous children Australia-wide.

Lunch

## Concurrent Sessions 1 to 6:

1.30pm to 3pm

### 1. Health and Nutrition

**1.1 Promoting Awareness of Nutritional Risk Factors contributing to Chronic Disease within Indigenous Communities – An Outreach Model.**

*Rachel Bonnici (Oz Child Children Australia Inc VIC)*

**1.2 Start Right – Eat Right – Helping SA Child Care Centres with Good Nutrition for Children in Care.** This session will provide an overview of the Start Right – Eat Right (SRER) Award, with input from Indigenous Centres who have achieved the SRER Award.

*Julie-Anne McWhinnie, Claire Fitzgerald, Sarah Thomas (South Adelaide Health Service SA)*

### 2. Early Childhood – Multifunctional Aboriginal Children's Services

**2.1 The Impact of the Multifunctional Aboriginal Children's Services (MACS) on Children's and Community Development.** The research is the first step in exploring the possibility of retrospective research on the impact of a notable innovation, the MACS, on the lives of Koorie children.

*Geraldine Atkinson, Roland Finette (Victorian Aboriginal Education Association VIC)*

**2.2 Language and Cultural Programs – Building Service and Community Capacity.** This session explores the importance and impact of Aboriginal language and culture in our MACS. The language and cultural program at the service builds on the development of child, family and community in an enriching and positive way and the opportunity to hear and see this will be evident. A Tasmanian perspective of revival of a "sleeping" language indicative of strength and determination, not only as a service, but as a community.

*Alison Overeem (Aboriginal Children's Centre (MACS) Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre Inc. TAS)*

### 3. Cultural Identity and Development

**3.1 Building Resilience through Education and Culture.** The aim of the presentation is to illustrate that, by using culturally specific resources in innovative ways, Aboriginal children in Victorian Aboriginal Child Care Agency [VACCA] care are able to celebrate their culture and meet education outcomes.

*Sarah Diplock (VACCA VIC)*

**3.2 What Works for Us: – Examples of Good Practice at Kindergarten.**

At Darlington Kindergarten we have a significant Aboriginal community, including an Aboriginal playgroup and other programs. Come hear our stories and talk about curriculum, programming and assessment.

*Suzanne Russell (Darlington Kindergarten SA)*

**3.3 Cultural Understandings.** Making culture and identity of Aboriginal children and indeed all children and families an integral part of the early childhood centres.

*Debbie Moyle (Department of Education and Children's Services, Aboriginal Early Childhood Team SA)*

### 4. Child Protection and Well Being – Prevention, Early Intervention and Research

**4.1 Protective Behaviours Community Way.** A package specifically designed to teach protective behaviours to kids in a culturally appropriate and sensitive way.

*Marie Cox, (Kimberley Aboriginal Medical Services Council Inc WA)*

**4.2 Save the Children's Future Parents Program.** An innovative early intervention program specifically designed for young people that strive to reduce the incidence of child abuse before situations occur.

*Joan O'Connor (Save the Children Australia SA)*

**4.3 Emerging Themes from the Review of Aboriginal Child Deaths.** The paper identifies some common issues across these cases relating to risk indicators and areas for practice improvement. It also highlights the challenges in the interagency environment.

*Kate Alexander, Pam Swinfield (NSW Department of Community Services (DoCS) Child Deaths and Critical Reports Unit. NSW)*

### 5. Cultural Sensitivity in Organisational Practice

**5.1 Walking the BIG journey together.** The experience of, and learning gained from, setting up the Barnardos' Indigenous

Group (BIG) within a mainstream welfare organization.

*Vivianne Freeman (Barnardos Australia NSW)*

**5.2 Growing Stronger Together.** The process of implementing the corporate plan goals of a mainstream welfare agency aimed at developing culturally sensitivity and more appropriate services to indigenous children, families and their communities.

*Kathleen Clark (Barnardos Australia NSW)*

**5.3 The Wello Boys.** Part of a community development program in Wellington, NSW. The making of the DVD was the culmination of men's group establishment and the running of a range of programs with this group including relationship skills building, self-esteem, anger management and job seeking skills, as well as the product of a partnership with Film Central.

*Terry Hayek (Barnardos Australia NSW)*

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## 6. The Federal Government's Response to the Needs of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children

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**6.1 An Overview of Federal Government Programs and Priorities for Indigenous Children.** Including the National Indigenous Children's Services Plan and the Longitudinal Study of Indigenous Children.

*Vicki Rundle (Branch Manager, Child Care and Children's Policy Branch, Department of Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs.)*

**6.2 Nurse Home Visiting – Supporting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Mothers and their Children in the Critical Early Years.** An outline of recent Australian Government initiatives, including Health @ Home Plus, to improve the health and well being of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and families.

*Lesley Podesta, Office for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health)*

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Afternoon tea

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**Concurrent Sessions 7 to 12:**

**3:30pm to 5pm**

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## 7. Supporting Indigenous Carers

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**7.1 Cape York Recognised Entities.** Showcasing how Queensland, in particular remote Cape York communities, have input into decisions about their children when there are child protection concerns.

*Desley Thompson (Cape York/Gulf RAATSICC Advisory Association QLD)*

## 7.2 The Experiences of Indigenous Carers in the Child Protection System

*Patricia Elarde (Queensland Aboriginal and Islander Health Council QLD)*

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## 8. Early Childhood – Child Rearing

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**8.1 Community Children.** How we work and negotiate with children and parents in a remote community.

*Valerie Dhaykamalu (Galiwinku Child Care Centre NT)*

**8.2 Growing Bush Babies – Listening to Community.** A description of linked-up programs and activities that are helping the community raise its kids to be strong and confident and get a good start in life.

*Pam Boney (Glenroi Heights Public School), Liz MacRaild (Child Youth and Family Department Community Services, Orange NSW)*

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## 9. Education for Cultural Identity and Development

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**9.1 A Collaborative Approach to Strengthen Early Years within the Victorian Koorie Community.** A collaborative approach to strengthen Early Years within the Victorian Koorie community. The joint presentation will show how the Victorian Koorie organisations collaborate to influence the directions of the Early Years Sector in order to provide a holistic approach to Early Childhood Education and Care.

*Geraldine Atkinson (VAEAI), Dr Alf Bamblett (VACSAL) and representatives from VACCA and VACCHO VIC*

**9.2 Victorian Koorie Early Childhood Education Program (KECEP).** Overview of the Victorian Koorie Early Childhood Education Program and its success of increasing the participation of Indigenous children into a kindergarten setting.

*Tracie-Jee Beer, Moira Ross Rayner (Department Human Services VIC)*

## 9.3 Health and Well Being in Early Childhood – Aboriginal Perspectives.

This presentation will discuss results of a research project exploring Aboriginal views of health and wellbeing in early childhood in urban Melbourne.

*Naomi Priest (Deakin University) and Dr Tamara Mackean (Flinders University VIC)*

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## 10. Cultural Sensitivity in Organisational Practice and Partnerships

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**10.1 Indigenous and Non-Indigenous Organisations Sharing Knowledge and Skills.** Non-Indigenous organisations

could build partnerships with Indigenous organisations so that together they are better able to support families and nurture communities.

*Judi Geggie, (Family Action Centre University of Newcastle NSW)*

**10.2 Good Practice in Mainstream Child and Family Welfare Services for Aboriginal Children, Young People and Families.** A joint presentation by the Centre for Excellence and Berry Street Victoria.

*Karen Scobell (Centre for Excellence in Child and Family Welfare) and Les Corlett (Aboriginal Senior Clinician Indigenous team TAKE TWO Program Berry Street Victoria. VIC)*

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## 11. Engaging Men – Strengthening Men's Role

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**11.1 Engaging Indigenous Men – Brother Inside Program – (Indigenous Fathers in Gaol).**

- Engaging men in different setting (schools, medical services, community programs
- How Indigenous men see their role as a father whilst locked up.

*Craig Hammond (Family Action Centre NSW)*

**11.2 Strong Men/Strong Families.** The Project explores ways to strengthen Aboriginal men's role in their family and community. The aim is to allow Aboriginal men to come together in a safe and culturally strong place to discuss how to become a positive role model in their community.

*Dan Mitchell, Stephen Pearce and Damien Johnson (Aboriginal Family Support Services SA)*

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## 12. Developing a Just and Sustainable Child Protection System for the Northern Territory

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This workshop will discuss the Federal Governments response to the *Northern Territory Inquiry into the Sexual Abuse of Aboriginal Children*. It will include presentations from Ms Pat Anderson Co-Chair of the Inquiry, Julian Pocock SNAICC Executive Officer and representatives from local agencies working with Aboriginal children and families in the Northern Territory.

*Ms Pat Anderson (Senior Territorian of Year and Chair Cooperative Centre for Research into Aboriginal Health NT) and Julian Pocock (SNAICC Executive Officer)*

**Free evening**

## Plenary

9am to 10.30am

- **Welcome – Debbie Bond** (Aboriginal Resource and Management Support Unit Services Consultant and SNAICC Executive Member)
- **Children's performance – Kura Yerlo Children's Centre**
- **Keynote Address – Terry Cross**, (National Indian Child Welfare Association USA)

### *Through Indigenous Eyes: Rethinking Theory and Practice.*

This keynote will describe using Indigenous knowledge as the basis for theory and practice in child welfare from an American Indian perspective.

- **Keynote Ms Pat Anderson** (Senior Territorian of Year and Chairperson Cooperative Research Centre for Aboriginal Health and previously Co-chair of *NT Inquiry into the Protection of Aboriginal Children from Sexual Abuse*).

### *The Importance of Children.*

- **Keynote Address – Dr Helen Milroy**, (Director Centre for Aboriginal Medical and Dental Health University of Western Australia)

### *Childhood Landscapes: reflections of self, spirit and country.*

Understanding Children from a developmental and cultural perspective.

Morning tea

## Concurrent Sessions 13 to 18

11am to 12.30pm

### 13. Supporting Parents in the Early Years

#### 13.1 Strong Young Mums Going Strong.

This presentation will showcase the very successful *Strong Young Mums* program in Bourke, a small community in western NSW. The program reconnects teenage mothers with the education system while offering them play group activities and parenting education as well as guest speaker sessions to assist them in accessing services eg. health.

*Belinda Cunningham, Fallon Ord, Dorothee Crawley (Centacare Wilcannia-Forbes NSW)*

**13.2 In-Home Support for Aboriginal Families Initiative.** Short paper on service and community challenges in strengthening support for Aboriginal mothers, their children and families in the crucial early years.

*Dr Sharon Goldfeld (Child Health Advisor, Statewide Outcome for Children, Office for Children, VIC)*

### 14. Early Childhood Play

**14.1 Picturing Play.** Adults' and children's views of play from two remote Aboriginal communities in the NT.

*Associate Professor Lynne Fasoli (Batchelor Institute of Indigenous Tertiary Education – Academic and Research Division), Alison Wunungmurra (Gapuwiyak), Anna Godden (Jilkminggan NT)*

#### 14.2 Not Just Play – Indigenous Playgroups as an Early Intervention Strategy.

This short paper will examine the strengths of playgroups for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families, playgroup as a tool for working with marginalised families, and the models of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander playgroups currently operating successfully in Queensland.

*Lesley Olsen (Playgroup Queensland)*

**14.3 Our Children, Our Future.** This presentation gives an intriguing insight into the reasons behind and the development of Aboriginal specific playgroups in the Illawarra NSW.

*Denise Freeman (Barnardos Australia, NSW)*

### 15. Child Protection Policy

**15.1 Challenges in Reducing the Over-representation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children in the Child Protection System in Queensland.**

*Elizabeth Adams (Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Child Protection Partnership)*

**15.2 Responding to Aboriginal Children and Families.** Developments in the SA child protection system.

*Senior Aboriginal Project Officer and Steve Golding (Department for Families and Communities, Families SA)*

### 16. An Indigenous Perspective of Workforce Development and Well-being

#### 16.1 A Queensland Perspective on Child Care Workforce Development Issues.

This presentation will present workforce development issues that have emerged through consultation in the child

care skills formation strategy and provide opportunity for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander child care workers to discuss and provide input.

*Tara Lee Franks*

**16.2 Why Promoting Staff Well Being is Good for Aboriginal Child and Family Welfare Business.** VACCA will focus on the programs and activities it has identified to support staff well being. This includes our workforce development strategy which celebrates, acknowledges and embeds culture and recognises staff as critical to the work of VACCA.

*Bev Murray, Emma Bamblett (Victorian Aboriginal Child Care Agency VIC)*

### 17. Putting The Multifunction Into the MACS

Participants will hear from SA metropolitan and rural Aboriginal MACS Directors who will share stories from their centres and how they successfully operate. This workshop will also include a bus trip to a metropolitan MACS.

*Tina Quitadamo, Lorel Glastonbury, Leona Smith. Facilitator - Debbie Bond (Aboriginal Resource and Management Support Unit SA)*

### 18. Working with At Risk Indigenous Young People

**18.1 Youth Accommodation Support Services.** Providing a service that is non-discriminatory and in a manner which is empowering and developmental, enabling Aboriginal youth to be involved in decisions affecting their lives.

*Dan Mitchell, Leanne Young and a young person (Aboriginal Family Support Services SA)*

**18.2 Meeting the Needs of Indigenous Youth in Central Brisbane.** Our experiences, learnings and future directions in providing services to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people who are at risk of homelessness and drug and alcohol use.

*Dr Julia Butt, Jude Saldanha and Steven Fisher (Indigenous Youth Health Service Aboriginal and Islander Community Health Service QLD)*

Lunch

## Concurrent Sessions 19 to 24:

1.30pm to 3pm

### 19. Indigenous Children's Literacy and Stories

**19.1 Young Aboriginal Children – Being 3, Being Literate.** State, district and local educators share the background and stories of an initiative in ten South Australian preschools designed to research and support young Aboriginal children's literacy learning.

*Margaret Creeper (Department of Education and Children's Services SA)*

**19.2 'Spin A Yarn' – Celebrating Indigenous Children's Stories.**

Celebrating the success of Indigenous children who have been empowered by using 'Spin a Yarn' in a variety of educational settings. A practical and engaging workshop!

*Annette Sax and Priscilla Reid-Loynes (Yarn Strong Sista Pty Ltd) and Sarah Diplock (VACCA VIC)*

### 20. Models for working with Indigenous Families

**20.1 The Development of an Anti-violence Package for Indigenous Families.** In this paper four stages of the development of this family anti-violence package are outlined. .... remembering and nurturing our spirit stories in the face of a dominant society which attempts to undermine and help us forget these real, strong narratives we have of ourselves. ....remembering the shared history we have with white Australians in order to understand the context in which violence is born and flourishes in our lives.

*Dr Greta Galloway James Cook University; Daphne Naden Far North Queensland Rural Division of General Practice QLD*

**20.2 Capturing Potential - the Safe Families Model.** This model has Aunties and Uncles from the local community around Alice Springs caring for children in a residential setting when they come in to care. The model will be presented followed by discussion.

*John Adams (Tangentyere Council, Alice Springs NT)*

### 21. Out of Home Care and Family Support

**21.1 Disseminating Promising Practices in Out-Of-Home Care for Indigenous Carers and Young People.** A presentation to disseminate a resource developed as a result of the 'Promising Practice Profiles' project jointly undertaken by SNAICC and the

Australian Institute of Family Studies (AIFS).

*Dr Jenny Higgins (Australian Institute of Family Studies), Nikki Butler (SNAICC VIC)*

**21.2 Supporting Foster Carers.**

Assisting foster carers to develop support mechanisms within the foster care continuum. Protocols and pathways to improved consultation.

*Dan Mitchell, Leanne Young (AFSS SA)*

### 22. Indigenous Rights, Ethics, Quality Service Delivery

**22.1 General Comment on the Rights of Indigenous Children.** This short paper will review the goals of the *General Comment on The Rights of Indigenous Children* for the United Nations Committee on the Rights of the Child and outline opportunities to have input into the draft document. For more information visit [www.isg-ngogroup.org](http://www.isg-ngogroup.org)

*Cindy Blackstock (Indigenous Sub Group NGO Group on the Rights of the Child Canada)*

**22.2 A Code of Ethics**

*Brian Butler (Aged Rights Advocacy Service SA)*

**22.3 Are Culture and Quality Service Delivery Mutually Exclusive?** How do Aboriginal services ensure that CULTURE remains prominent and relevant in service delivery? VACCA has developed a framework which we believe will restore CULTURE to its place in the forefront of service delivery without compromising the contractual or funding agreement standards. This framework is in development and the workshop is an opportunity for us to discuss our ideas with the sector.

*Nigel D'Sousa (VACCA VIC)*

### 23. Child Protection – Resilience and Well Being

**23.1 What We Know and What We Need to Do in Child Protection – Keeping Our Kids Safe.** An interactive perspective for participants in empowering individuals communities and service providers in keeping Aboriginal people safe.

*Garry Matthews, (Coffs Harbour Aboriginal Family Community Care Centre) and Craig Hunt (NSW)*

**23.2 Culture and Connection as Keys To Indigenous Children's Well Being.** The preliminary outcomes of the VACCA/La Trobe University/Berry Street Take Two Research project into culturally appropriate measurements and assessment tools for Victorian Indigenous children.

*Jane Harrison, Sue-Anne Hunter (VACCA VIC)*

### 24. Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder Family Support

**24.1 Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder.** What we know and what we need to let others know.

*Sue Miers (National Organisation for Fetal Alcohol Syndrome and Related Disorders SA)*

**24.2 Sustainable Relationships – Building Bridges.** To identify and describe the principles of sound relationship building and explore interrelationships between families and learning journeys within a learning environment.

*Debbie Moyle, Eunice Bartlett (Department of Education and Children's Services, Aboriginal Early Childhood Team SA)*

Afternoon tea

### Interactive Session and Longer Workshops

3.30pm to 5pm

Note that workshops are only one option during this time – another option is to spend time looking at displays, and audio visual presentations and networking informally with other conference delegates. Numbers for these sessions will be strictly limited on a first in first served basis.

- Visit displays
- Art space
- Audio visual session
- Informal networking
- Choice of longer workshops: please note that numbers for these workshops are limited.

### Workshop A

#### Aunty Wendy's Mob Songs and Dances

Song and dance with an Indigenous perspective. The workshop (90 minutes) is based directly on the songs from Aunty Wendy's Mob CD *Growin' Up Strong and Happy to Be Me*.

*Wendy Notley (NSW)*

### Workshop B

#### Bicultural and Traditional Aboriginal healing

We have always known what to do – bicultural and traditional healing. The story of Akeyulerre traditional healing service in Alice Springs. How people access their traditional healing and how

this is tied up with how they access their traditional culture.

*Kathy Abbott is an Arrente woman who grew up with community, NT*

## Workshop C

### Cultural Art and Craft Workshop.

Ideas and activities to do with children that are from a cultural perspective from the 'top end'.

*Roxanne Highfold (Regional and Remote Aboriginal Children and Services' Support Unit Batchelor, NT)*

## Workshop D

### Educaring in healing childhood trauma.

*Childhood trauma, including abuse and neglect, is probably the single most important public health challenge facing Indigenous Australians...a challenge that has the potential to be largely*

*resolved by appropriate prevention and intervention. What is appropriate prevention and intervention?*

*Prof. Judy Atkinson (Director, Collaborative Indigenous Research Centre for Learning and Educare, Gnibi College of Indigenous Australian Peoples, Southern Cross University NSW)*

## Workshop E

Audiovisual session

## Workshop F

### Community Ways of Evaluating

Making evaluation work for us - the partnership action research evaluation (PARE) and cultural accountability. This workshop will describe ways of making evaluation as part of our everyday work. Participants from the action research evaluation project being done in partnership between the SNAICC Resource Service and the Queensland

MACS will discuss - how they are working to build cultural accountability into their evaluation work. Ideas about how to respectfully recognise and further build the skills and contributions of the participants of evaluation work will be explored. Bring along projects and ideas you want to discuss at this workshop.

*Liz Orr (SRS Evaluation Manager SNAICC) and Ray Burrows (Director Gundoo Children's Centre VIC)*

## Conference Dinner

**7pm to 11pm at Convention Centre**

- Sumptuous dinner
- Entertainment
- Celebration
- Dinner speaker  
Muriel Bamblett AM  
SNAICC Chairperson

# DAY 3

# FRIDAY 21 September

## Plenary

**9am to 10.30am**

- **Welcome – Garry Matthews** (Deputy Chairperson SNAICC)
- **Performance by the Tal-kin-jeri Dancers**
- **Short Address and Question and Answer Session: The Hon. Mal Brough MP** (Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs)
- **Short Address and Question and Answer Session: Jenny Macklin MP** (Shadow Minister for Families and Community Services, Shadow Minister for Indigenous Affairs and Reconciliation)
- **Keynote: Ms Tania Major** (Young Australian of the Year and Cape York Leadership Program QLD)  
*Families make the difference: Why even in the most disadvantaged communities, with the right family support, young Indigenous people can achieve to their potential.*
- **Keynote Address – Jack Beetson** (Linga Longa Cultural Workshops)  
*My personal experience of child abuse and the Federal response one year ago and today.*

Morning tea

## Concurrent Sessions 25 to 30

**11am to 12.30pm**

### 25. Indigenous Children – Traditions and Rights

**25.1 Storytelling as Prevention**  
– This workshop will demonstrate how traditional storytelling can be therapeutic and be used for prevention of a wide range of social problems.

*Terry Cross (National Indian Child Welfare Association USA)*

**25.2 Indigenous children's rights under the Convention on the Rights of the Child and developing international law.** This presentation discusses some of the ways in which Indigenous children's rights are being acknowledged and recognised in international law.

*Terri Libesman (Law Faculty, University of Technology, Sydney NSW)*

### 26. Early Childhood – Learning, Language, Literacy

**26.1 Putting I C Back into Cultural Inclusion.** This is the story of our journey – an Elder's passion to provide an early childhood service which specifically meets

the needs of her people, strengthens knowledge, pride and ownership in Indigenous culture, in a culturally diverse and inclusive environment.

*Marilyn Beale, Aunty Vera Hill (C and K Gundoo Mirra Community Kindergarten)*

### 26.2 Scaffolding Children's Emerging Literacy and Numeracy Development.

Using photographs and examples of children's work we will share the excitement of seeing children's developing literacy and numeric understanding and share how this development is actively nurtured through a play based curriculum rich in Aboriginal and Torres Strait culture.

*Marilyn Beale, Aunty Vera Hill (C and K Gundoo Mirra Community Kindergarten)*

**26.3 Aboriginal English.** To provide participants with information about Aboriginal English as an important aspect of contemporary Aboriginal Culture, that all people working with Aboriginal Children need to understand.

*Eunice Bartlett, Debbie Moyle (Department of Education and Children's Services, Aboriginal Early Childhood Team SA)*

### 27. Working in Remote Communities – Family Support

**27.1 The development of Family Centres on the APY Lands.** The trials

and triumphs of developing family support programs in a remote setting.

*Brenda Stubbs (Department for Families and Communities, South Australia SA)*

**27.2 Early childhood services in remote communities.** Wiluna Martu Child Rearing. A short presentation on a project by the Ngangganawili Parenting and Early Childhood Development Centre to support and strengthen the Wiluna Martu child rearing beliefs and practices, supported by photos, stories and some video footage.

*Renae Chidlow and Trevor Jewel (Ngangganawili Parenting and Early Childhood Development Program WA)*

## 28. Young People – Accommodation Options

**28.1 Marni Wodli Youth Accommodation Service.** Power point presentation and verbal discussion on service by Coordinator and Co-Presenters also including the Young People who reside at Marni Wodli.

*Angela Riciotti, Lewis O'Brien (Kurna Elder), Josie Agius (Kurna/Nurrunga Elder), Annette Groat (Principal Cultural Consultant), Rod O'Brien (Senior Indigenous Regional Project Officer), Greg Fox (Manager Integrated Youth Services, Department for Families and Communities, Families SA, Integrated Youth Services SA)*

**28.2 Safe Accommodation Options for Aboriginal Children.** Providing safe and culturally appropriate care options for Aboriginal children and young people who are unable to live with their immediate family.

*Leanne Young, Daniel Mitchell and Andrew Read (Aboriginal Family Support Services SA)*

## 29. Child Protection – Family Violence

**29.1 School Based Strategies for Preventing Violence and Promoting Healthy Relationships with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Youth in Remote and Rural Australia.** This presentation will examine the Commonwealth Government's Family Violence Prevention Legal Services Programs methods of providing local school-based and school-aged strategies for preventing violence and promoting healthy relationships with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander youth in remote and rural communities and focus on how other programs and initiatives may learn from this example.

*Vicki Brogan (North Australian Aboriginal Family Violence Legal Service Unit), Shirley Veronese (Cape York Family Violence Prevention Legal Unit, Cairns QLD), Patsi Mawn (Maruma-li Mari Outreach Service, Roma QLD)*

**29.2 Education Centre Against Violence's Commitment to Aboriginal Communities.** An overall look at ECAV's programs that we facilitate in Aboriginal Communities of NSW.

*Catherine Clarke, Marlene Mauw, (Education Centre Against Violence NSW)*

## 30. Young People and Cultural Connections

**30.1 No Pressure – Choosing to Learn.** Presentation of a practice and partnership model with Aboriginal young people incorporating cultural support and transition.

*Cheryl Axleby, colleagues and young people. (Families SA, Department of Families and Communities, Department of Education and Children's Services SA)*

**30.2 Aboriginal Culture and Identity Program.** Discussion on the Cultural Identity Program for Aboriginal children and young people under Guardianship to develop and maintain cultural connections to family and community

*Liz Tongerie (Department for Families SA)*

### Closing Luncheon Celebration

#### 12. 30pm to 2pm

- Closing remarks
- Children's Performance – Kurna Plains Primary school
- Closing Address – Muriel Bamblett (Chairperson SNAICC)
- Closing luncheon



## Venue

The venue for all Conference sessions and functions is the

### Adelaide Convention Centre

North Terrace

Adelaide, South Australia

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## Transport and parking

The Adelaide Convention Centre is approximately a 20 minute trip by taxi from the airport for around \$18.

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The Convention Centre is also on the free loop B line bus service around the CBD loop connecting tram and rail and many hotels.

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Full details will be provided in your registration confirmation.

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- 1. Adelaide Hilton International**  
233 Victoria Square , Adelaide  
Ph: (61 8) 8217 2000  
Fax: (61 8) 8217 2001  
<http://www.adelaide.hilton.com>
- 3. Adelaide Paringa Motel**  
15 Hindley Street , Adelaide  
Ph: (61 8) 8231 1000  
Fax: (61 8) 8231 6807  
<http://www.macbitz.net.au/paringa>
- 4. Adelaide Riviera Motel**  
31 North Tce, Adelaide  
Ph: (61 8) 8231 8000  
Fax: (61 8) 8212 2168  
<http://www.adelaideriviera.com.au>
- 6. The Chancellor**  
18 Currie Street , Adelaide  
Ph: (08) 8112 8888  
Fax: (08) 8112 8899  
<http://www.ghihotels.com>
- 10. East End Astoria**  
22-26 Vardon Ave , Adelaide  
Ph: (61 8) 8224 2400  
Fax: (61 8) 8224 0820  
<http://www.eastendastoria.com.au>  
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- 11. The Embassy Hotel**  
L96 North Terrace, Adelaide  
Ph: (61 8) 8124 9900  
Fax: (61 8) 8124 9901  
<http://www.theoaksgroup.com.au>
- 12. Franklin Central Apartments**  
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Ph: (61 8) 8221 7050  
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- 15. Holiday Inn Adelaide**  
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Ph: (61 8) 8231 5552  
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- 17. Hotel Richmond**  
128 Rundle Mall, Adelaide  
Ph: (61 8) 8223 4044  
Fax: (61 8) 8232 2290  
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- 18. Hyatt Regency Adelaide**  
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Ph: (61 8) 8231 1234  
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- 19. Majestic Roof Garden Hotel**  
55 Frome Street , Adelaide  
Ph: (61 8) 8100 4400  
Fax: (61 8) 8100 4488  
<http://www.majestichotels.com.au>
- 20. Medina Grand Adelaide Treasury**  
2 Flinders Street , Adelaide  
Ph: (61 8) 8112 0000  
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- 21. Mercure Grosvenor Hotel**  
125 North Terrace, Adelaide  
Ph: (61 8) 8407 8888  
Fax: (61 8) 8407 8866  
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- 24. Pacific International Apartments & On Frome**  
88 Frome Street , Adelaide  
Ph: (61 8) 8223 9000  
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<http://www.pacificinthotels.com.au>
- 25. Pacific International Suites & Adelaide**  
55-57 Hindmarsh Square , Adelaide  
Ph: (08) 8412 3333  
Fax: (08) 8412 3344  
<http://www.pacificinthotels.com.au>
- 27. Quality Hotel Rockford Adelaide**  
164 Hindley Street , Adelaide  
Ph: (61 8) 8211 8255  
Fax: (61 8) 8231 1179  
<http://www.rockfordhotels.com.au>
- 28. Quest on King William**  
82 King William, Adelaide  
Ph: (61 8) 8217 5000  
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<http://www.questapartments.com.au>
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(formerly the Radisson Playford Hotel & Suites)  
120 North Terrace, Adelaide  
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Fax: (61 8) 8213 8833  
<http://www.mirvachotels.com.au>
- 31. Rendezvous Allegra Hotel**  
55 Waymouth Street , Adelaide  
Ph: (61 8) 8115 8888  
Fax: (61 8) 8115 8800  
<http://www.rendezvoushotels.com>
- 33. Saville Park Suites**  
255 Hindley Street , Adelaide  
Ph: (61 8) 8217 2500  
Fax: (61 8) 8217 2519  
<http://www.savillesuites.com>
- 34. Stamford Plaza Adelaide**  
150 North Terrace, Adelaide  
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- 34 Stamford Plaza Adelaide
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## Attractions

- 1 Adelaide Central Market
- 2 Adelaide Convention Centre
- 3 Adelaide Festival Centre
- 4 Adelaide Zoo
- 5 Art Gallery of South Australia
- 6 Ayers House & Function Centre
- 7 JamFactory Contemporary Craft & Design

- 8 National Aboriginal Cultural Institute - Tandanya
- 9 National Wine Centre of Australia
- 10 Old Adelaide Gaol
- 11 SkyCity Adelaide
- 12 South Australian Museum
- 13 State Library of South Australia

# Registration

Registration INCLUDES one set of conference materials, 1 x satchel, morning and afternoon refreshments, lunch for the day/s registered and Conference Dinner on the night of Thursday 20th September.

Young Persons Concession registration applies to registrations for young people (12 to 24 years of age) not employed.

Priority places for Indigenous services and workers. Limited registrations for government and non-Indigenous services.

OPTIONS	Early Bird by 31 July 2007	Standard after 31 July 2007
Indigenous Organisations	\$385 incl GST per person	\$485 incl GST per person
Non Indigenous/ Nongovernment Organisations	\$550 incl GST per person	\$650 incl GST per person
Government Organisations	\$660 incl GST per person	\$760 incl GST per person
Young People	\$385 inc GST per person	\$485 incl GST per person
Additional Conference Dinner tickets*	\$90 incl GST per person	\$90 incl GST per person

\* One dinner ticket is included in the registration fee. Subject to availability additional tickets can be purchased for accompanying persons

- Payments must be received before registration can be confirmed.
- Early bird registration closes 31 July 2007.
- Registration Closes 10 September 2007.
- Registrations after 10 September 2007 will be accepted subject to availability.
- Registration does NOT include accommodation.
- Shared registrations – please supply individuals' names and day they are attending. Only 1 individual per day and only 1 set of materials/satchel per shared registration.
- Young Persons Concession registration applies to full registrations for young people (12 to 24 years of age) not employed. Please advise if there is a sponsoring organisation. If the young person is under 18 years please indicate to whom duty of care is allocated.
- Cancellations must be made in writing or by email.
- Refunds will be provided, less an administrative fee of \$100 up until 10 September 2007.
- Substitutions are welcome at any time.
- The organisers do not assume any liability for changes in the program and have the right to change the program at any time without reference.
- The Conference organisers accept no responsibility for any loss of monies or property incurred by registrants resulting from their attendance at the Conference.

## Travel Subsidies

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander organisations outside the Adelaide metropolitan area are eligible to apply for travel subsidies to help cover the cost of sending representatives to the conference. Travel subsidy levels are as follows:

**Group A:** Melbourne, Sydney, Canberra and non-remote rural cities and towns in South Australia: \$500

**Group B:** Brisbane, Darwin, Perth, Hobart, Alice Springs and non-remote rural cities and towns in all states and territories excluding South Australia: \$800

**Group C:** Remote communities in Queensland, Northern Territory, South Australia and Western Australia: \$1,500

### How many subsidies?

Only ONE subsidy is available per organisation regardless of how many representatives attend.

### Who are they for?

Travel subsidies are not available for individuals, government departments or non-Indigenous organisations.

### Allocation priority?

SNAICC's budget for travel subsidies is limited. We hope to be able to allocate subsidies to all eligible organisations that apply, but if we have more applications than we can accommodate we will give preference to organisations who have representatives presenting papers, workshops or setting up displays at the Conference. After this we will allocate subsidies on a first come – first served basis.

### How is the subsidy received?

One person from each eligible organisation should indicate that they wish to apply for a subsidy on behalf of that organisation on their registration form. Travel subsidy cheques will be sent to successful organisations within ten working days of registrations being processed.

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## Conference Dinner:

I will attend the Conference Dinner (included in the registration fee) on Thursday 20 September 2007  YES  NO

Special Needs: (eg dietary, mobility)

## PROGRAM CHOICES for concurrent sessions:

Choose only ONE session, indicated with (1) and indicate your second preference with (2), to assist us with planning space and resources. Numbers are limited for workshop sessions and places are allocated on first in basis. If we do not receive your workshop preferences your first choice may be full. You can change your preference later subject to space being available.

### 19 September WEDNESDAY – 6 Concurrent Sessions

Write (1) for your first preference and (2) for your second preference for your choice from sessions 1 to 6 (1.30pm to 3pm)

- 1 Health and Nutrition
- 2 Early Childhood – MACS
- 3 Cultural Identity and Development
- 4 Child Protection and Well Being – Prevention, Early Intervention and Research
- 5 Cultural Sensitivity in Organisational Practice
- 6 The Federal Governments Response to the Needs of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island Children

### 19 September WEDNESDAY – 6 Concurrent Sessions

Write (1) for your first preference and (2) for your second preference for your choice from sessions 7 to 12 (3.30pm to 5pm)

- 7 Supporting Indigenous Carers
- 8 Early Childhood – Child Rearing
- 9 Education for Cultural Identity and Development
- 10 Cultural Sensitivity in Organisational Practice and Partnerships
- 11 Engaging Men – Strengthening Men's Role
- 12 Developing a just and sustainable Child Protection System for the Northern Territory

### 20 September THURSDAY – 6 Concurrent Session

Write (1) for your first preference and (2) for your second preference for your choice from sessions 13 to 18 (11am to 12.30pm)

- 13 Supporting Parents in the Early Years
- 14 Early Childhood Play
- 15 Child Protection Policy
- 16 An Indigenous Perspective of Workforce Development and Well Being
- 17 Putting the Multifunction into the MACS
- 18 Working with At Risk Indigenous Young People

### 20 September THURSDAY – 6 Concurrent Session

Write (1) for your first preference and (2) for your second preference for your choice from sessions 19 to 24 (1.30pm to 3pm)

- 19 Indigenous Children's Literacy and Stories
- 20 Models for Working with Indigenous Families
- 21 Out of Home Care and Family Support
- 22 Indigenous Rights, Ethics, Quality Service Delivery
- 23 Child Protection – Resilience and Well Being
- 24 Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder, Family Support

## 20 September THURSDAY – 5 Concurrent Longer Workshops

Write (1) for your first preference and (2) for your second preference for your choice from sessions A to E (3.30pm to 5pm)

- Workshop A Aunty Wendy's Mob – Songs and Dances
- Workshop B Bicultural and Traditional Aboriginal Healing
- Workshop C Cultural Art and Craft
- Workshop D Educaring in Healing Childhood Trauma
- Workshop E Audiovisual Session
- Workshop F Community Ways of Evaluating- Making evaluation work for us - the partnership action research evaluation (PARE) and cultural accountability

## 21 September FRIDAY – 6 Concurrent Sessions

Write (1) for your first preference and (2) for your second preference for your choice from sessions 25 to 30 (11.00am to 12.30pm)

- 25 Indigenous Children – Traditions and Rights
- 26 Early Childhood – Learning, Language and Literacy
- 27 Working in Remote Communities – Family Support
- 28 Young People – Accommodation Options
- 29 Child Protection – Family Violence
- 30 Young People and Cultural Connections

### REGISTRATION FEES (includes Conference Dinner)

OPTIONS	Early Bird by 31 July 2007	Standard after 31 July 2007	Your payment
Indigenous Organisations	\$385 incl GST per person	\$485 incl GST per person	\$
Non Indigenous/ Nongovernment Organisations	\$550 incl GST per person	\$650 incl GST per person	\$
Government Organisations	\$660 incl GST per person	\$760 incl GST per person	\$
Young People	\$385 incl GST per person	\$485 incl GST per person	\$
<b>Additional</b> Conference Dinner tickets (subject to availability)	\$90 incl GST per person	\$90 incl GST per person	<input type="checkbox"/> no of additional tickets @ \$90 incl GST per person
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$</b>

### Travel Subsidy

I declare I am claiming a travel subsidy for \_\_\_\_\_ which is an eligible Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander organisation

I am claiming travel subsidy  Group A  Group B or  Group C

**Note: only one representative may claim a travel subsidy on behalf of an organisation.**

### Payment

See registration information page for relevant fees and inclusions. Registration cannot be confirmed without payment.

**CHEQUE** Please make cheques payable to Client Holding Account – Sharyn Low. ABN 94 810 812 445

**CREDIT CARD** By phone, or by fax with details completed below. Cards accepted: Visa, Mastercard

Card Type:  Visa  MasterCard

Card Number: \_\_\_ \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ \_\_\_

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Authorised Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

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Name on card: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**EFT** ANZ BSB 012-874 ACC 5219-61085 Sharyn Low-Client Holding Account / SNAICC

**Reference 'SNAICC\_delegate last name'**

**Please forward advice of EFT with delegates NAME.**

### PLEASE FORWARD THIS REGISTRATION FORM WITH YOUR PAYMENT:

**Fax to:** +61 2 4572 3972 by 10 September 2007

**Post to:** Sharyn Low, SNAICC Conference, PO Box 4242, Pitt Town NSW 2756

**Enquiries to:** Sharyn Low on +61 2 4572 3079 or sharynlow@pacific.net.au

**CONFIRMATION:** When payment is received a confirmation /tax receipt will be forwarded to you by e-mail wherever possible.