



# Expressions of Interest Literature Review: WA Aboriginal Youth Health Strategy

## Project introduction

The Aboriginal Health Council of Western Australia (AHCWA) are currently seeking expressions of interest for an experienced and motivated individual to undertake a comprehensive literature review as part of the development of a WA Aboriginal Youth Health Strategy.

The literature review is designed to provide a supportive framework for the strategy by:

- Contextualising the findings of the strategy consultation;
- Supporting and justifying the implementation of the strategy outcomes and recommendations;
- Identifying gaps in research and programs for Aboriginal youth in WA and guiding future strategies.

This opportunity will provide the successful applicant with a unique insight and experience to the WA Aboriginal Health sector.

## Background

The Aboriginal Youth Health Strategy will inform and guide health-related services and stakeholders working with young Aboriginal people to deliver effective services that optimise the health and wellbeing of young Aboriginal people in WA. The primary target group for this strategy is stakeholders delivering health related services and programs to Aboriginal youth in WA. The secondary target group is Aboriginal youth aged 10-25 years living in WA.

The development of this strategy is being guided by a state-wide consultation with Aboriginal youth aged 10-25 years of age, and the Aboriginal health sector. This consultation is currently underway and consists of face-to-face workshops and two online surveys.

## Project Overview

Targeting the most relevant research and other literature, the literature review should include:

- A brief overview of the demographics of Aboriginal youth in WA (ages, locations etc.)
- Information on the health issues affecting Aboriginal youth in WA (in the last 5 years)
- A description of the kinds of programs/strategies that have been successful in achieving better health outcomes for Aboriginal youth in WA. This should consider whether there are programs that are better suited for specific regions, genders or, age groups.
- An overview of current policies, frameworks and strategies that relate to the health and wellbeing of Aboriginal youth in WA.

### Specifics:

- The review should include high quality articles and information from other Australian states and territories as well as international studies (ensuring relevance to Aboriginal youth in WA).
- Can include grey literature.
- No specific reference style is preferred.

- A minimum of 30 references and a maximum of 10,000 words.
- No formal cover sheet or design is required.

#### Timeframe:

50 hours.

#### Suggested approach:

- 16-20 hours - research, review and analysis;
- 18- 22 hours – evaluation and writing;
- 4-8 hours - review and edits.

#### Timeline:

Commencement: 27 November 2017

Preliminary summary: 15 December 2017

Completion: 8 January 2018.

#### Remuneration:

\$2,300 (based on a 50 hour project life cycle)

#### Terms to consider for the Literature review

- Aboriginal youth: For the purpose of this literature review the term “Aboriginal Youth” will be used throughout. Aboriginal youth is defined as being any person living in WA who identifies as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander and is between the ages of 10-25 years.
- Health-related services: It is acknowledged that many services available to young people are not strictly types of primary health care, but will bring health benefits to those young people (e.g. housing and accommodation services). For the purpose of this literature review, health-related services include any service or program that has the potential to improve the health and well-being of Aboriginal youth.

#### Selection criteria:

- Completion or working towards completion of an undergraduate or post-graduate qualification in a relevant field (i.e. Public Health, Community Development, Social Science, Aboriginal Health and/or Youth health);
- Demonstrable experience undertaking research, analysis and evaluation of literature;
- Excellent written communication skills, including the ability to write concise, high quality and client focussed papers;
- Ability to work proactively, independently and meet deadlines.

#### Further Information

For further information about this literature review, please contact Sarah Calder on (08) 9227 1631 during normal business hours.

#### To Apply

Formal expressions of interest can be forwarded to Sarah Calder via email: [application@ahcwa.org](mailto:application@ahcwa.org)

#### Applicants must provide the following information in their application:

1. Brief summary of credentials and experience relevant to this project
2. Current copy of your resume



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## Closing Date

Applications close 5:00pm Thursday 16 November 2017.