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Presentation to the Aboriginal Leaders' Forum

15 November 2017

**Update since the May meeting on
HPC's publications and review program**

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Acknowledgement

The Health Performance Council acknowledges the diverse Aboriginal peoples of South Australia and their participation in the life of South Australia. We acknowledge and respect their spiritual relationship with their respective country and we acknowledge them as the custodians of their country and that their cultural and heritage beliefs are still important to them today.

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Introduction to the Health Performance Council

- > The Health Performance Council (HPC) provides advice to the Minister for Health on the performance of the health system, health outcomes for South Australians and the effectiveness of community and individual engagement.
- > We publish four-yearly reviews of South Australian health system performance, case studies and other monitoring reports on our website: www.hpcsa.com.au

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Key HPC publications since May

- > **Bi-monthly indicator reports analysing hospital stats** for the community and specific population groups where 'Transforming Health' service changes were made.
- > **Review of Country Health Advisory Council (HAC) Governance Arrangements** revisited HPC's audit after five years to see how well the system has addressed issues identified for HACs to improve community and consumer voice in rural SA health services. At the late stages of developing HPC's report, Country Health LHN launched a 'Partnership Framework' for HACs that appears it could address much of HPC's advice from this revisit review, including investing in skills of HACs and providing better health system performance information to HACs to help them do their job better. HACs' success at engaging with specific harder-to-reach population groups remains stubbornly low.
- > **Aboriginal Health Case Study**

Released in September, HPC Aboriginal Health Case Study

- > The 2017 case study updates HPC's 2014 report, and provides advice to the Minister that is also published for whole health system to read about addressing disparities in health outcomes of Aboriginal people.
- > HPC drew heavily on the advice from Aboriginal leaders in forming the conclusions in this study. Aboriginal leaders were clear: if better health outcomes are to be realised across the board, there must be an integrated, cross-discipline, cross-portfolio, and Aboriginal-led approach. This approach must take account of social, cultural, spiritual, economic and environmental determinants such as education, employment, safe housing, and culturally appropriate health practices and health promotion.

Aboriginal health in South Australia

2017 case study



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Artwork Meaning: The health performance council (shown as the largest main meeting place) watches over the health and care journey of people to make sure that they are getting the proper care in every way. The journey paths emanating to and from the meeting place indicate the distance, while the blue colour variations show the landscape types. Around the central meeting place are many communities. Yellow dots around these places keep the people safe through their journey, ensuring proper care is achieved for everybody and that their needs are properly met.

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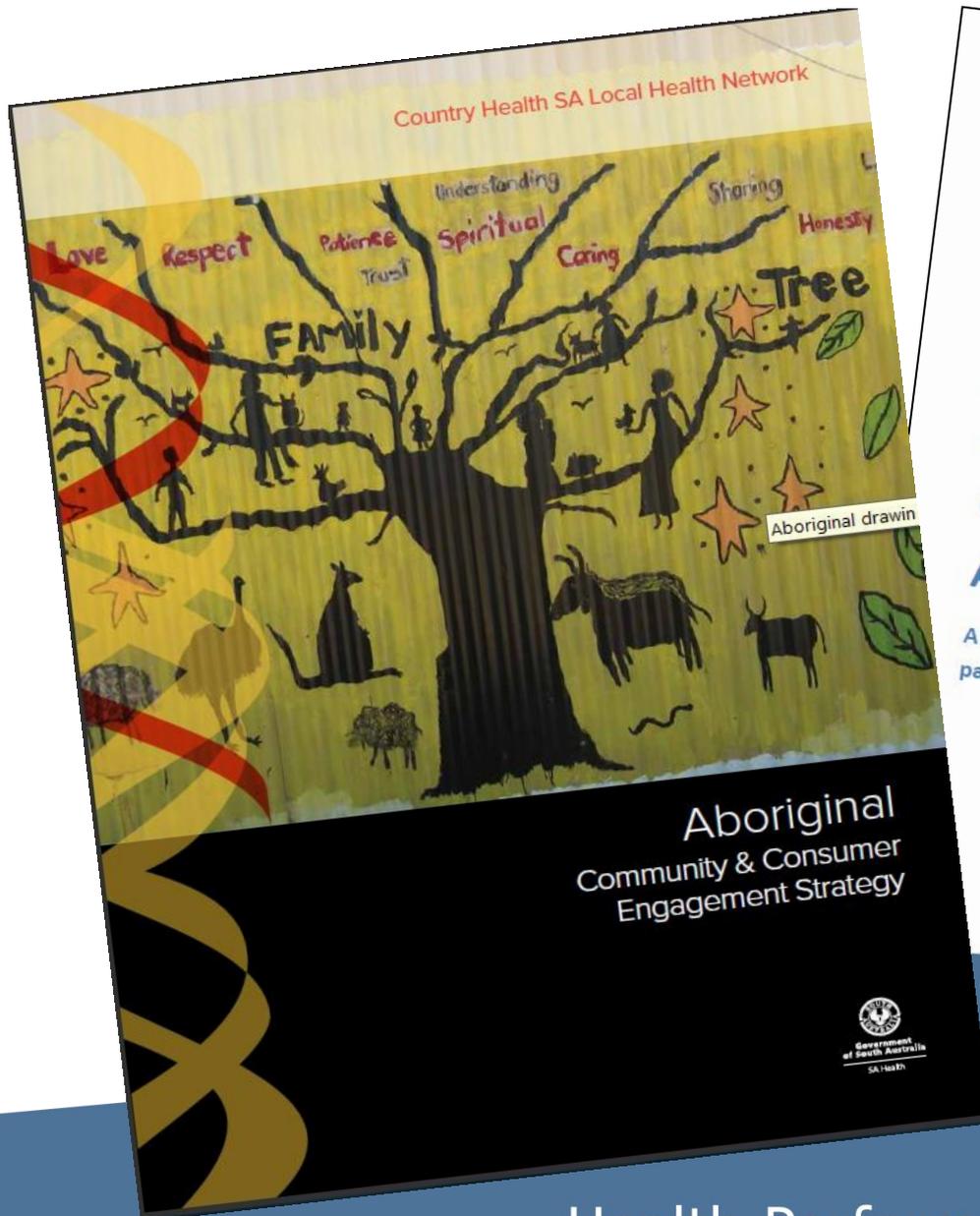
Four areas of action

The case study reports on four key areas for action that emerged through consultation and analysis:

1. Increase the numbers of Aboriginal people trained for and placed in the health workforce, particularly in senior and health professional roles.
2. Expand culturally appropriate treatment to the entire health system, respecting Aboriginal people and drawing on their strength and endurance to support both individuals and communities to improve wellbeing.
3. Remove barriers to the reporting and recording of Aboriginal identification in the health system, both as staff and consumers.
4. Reduce and remove perceived and real institutional racism towards Aboriginal people within the health system through workplace audits, consumer feedback, safety and quality standards and personalised healthcare plans and by ensuring Aboriginal health consumers know their rights.

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- 1. Review of End of Life Care Case Study** – set for publication in August 2018 – will revisit the HPC’s 2013 study to update stats and determine how well issues have been addressed and how successful changes have been.
- 2. ‘Perils of Place’ using SA hospital stats on potentially preventable hospital admissions by location** HPC is working with both PHNs and SA Health on a large study that will repeat the Grattan (2016) method evaluating potentially preventable admissions by location. In advance HPC has prepared a bitesize report looking at variation in hospital admissions and what that might say about regional inequalities.



Revisit Review of Country Health Advisory Councils Governance Arrangements:

A Health Performance Council report as
part of the 4-Yearly Review (2015-2018)

8 August 2017

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3. Post-implementation Review of Country Health Aboriginal Community & Consumer Engagement Strategy (2015) – set for HPC publication in August 2018 – will evaluate the early years of this Country Health strategy by asking:

- a. How successful has the strategy been in influencing change in the short term?
- b. What are the remaining gaps in community and consumer engagement activities that would be expected to achieve the stated aims in the short term?
- c. What are the key and emerging areas for future focus that will improve the chances of achieving medium and long term outcomes?

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