Acknowledgement

☐ Traditional owners of the land we meet upon.

☐ Pay my respect to Elders both past and present
Cultural Competency Training

- Funding by NSW Health
- Cultural Competency training package was developed by the Aboriginal Health College
- 2 day workshop, facilitated by Aboriginal Health College & Harm Minimisation Project Officer
- The training is accredited

- Training designed to:
  - challenge common beliefs and attitudes
  - re-orientate work practices to enhance Aboriginal community engagement
Cultural Competency

- Training includes a panel of local Aboriginal people.

- An assessment to be completed to obtain the accreditation
Locations

- Pilot – Sydney
- Newcastle
- Dubbo
- Grafton
- Campbelltown
- Wagga Wagga
- Sydney
Participants comments

- The relevance of the context
- Gaining confidence to engage with their local Aboriginal Community
- More understanding Aboriginal history and Aboriginal culture
- Knowledge and energy of the facilitators
Recommendations

- Further funding is provided to the AH&MRC through the Aboriginal Health College for ongoing Cultural Competency training, for workers that were unable to attend this training.

- AHMRC continues to follow up with the Charter of Engagement assessment, and collate the activities that participants have undertaken.

- Future cultural competency training is promoted state-wide, to enable to inter-AHS participation.
Where to from now?

- The Cultural Competency Training evaluation report has been submitted to the funding body.

- The small number of sites where the training was delivered made a positive impact to those communities.

- To make a bigger impact we need to provide the training to more locations and more Harm Minimisation program workers.
Thank you

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