



How to yarn effectively with older Aboriginal people

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Overview:

Poor communication is one of the biggest barriers to engaging effectively with Aboriginal people. Finding ways to communicate more effectively will not only improve and increase Aboriginal people's access to services but will and can ensure their participation in receiving and providing information. With older Aboriginal people good communication is essential to their health and wellbeing, maintaining their connection and links to family, service providers and the community.

Yarning is a method of communication that enables service providers to engage with older Aboriginal people and their families in a culturally safe way that is friendly and informal. The yarning framework enables service providers to engage and build relationships with Aboriginal people that are effective and authentic.

This guest lecture will:

- Discuss the definition of yarning
- Explore the context to using yarning and different types of yarning
- Discuss the benefits of using yarning in interviews, with groups and between colleagues
- Present a case study where yarning was applied with an older traditional person living with early onset dementia.

Event Details

Cost: Funded by the Australian Government

Date: Wednesday 29 May 2019

Time: 6.00 to 7.00pm (sign-in and pre-lecture supper from 5.30pm)

Location: The Theatre, Technology Park Function Centre, 2 Brodie Hall Drive, Corner Hayman Road, Bentley, WA, 6102

Registration is essential

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