

Aboriginal Health Workers Update November 2022

Dear Member,

Your Union's AHW Committee was scheduled to convene on 21 October 2022, unfortunately we did not reach quorum and could not proceed. However, the active members of the Committee did progress with some important work.

Your Committee Chair, Nicol Connor and HSU Allied Health Industrial Officer, Blake Adair-Roberts, met with representatives from the National Association of Aboriginal and Torre Strait Islander Health Workers and Practitioners. Your Union has a proud history of working together with NAATIHWP and we look forward to a continued strong relationship between the two organisations in order to bring about much-needed improvements to your work and profession.

A key focus currently is identifying whether there have been potential underpayments of members, your Union is seeking information from you if the following applies to you:

- Hold a Cert IV in primary care.
- Have APHRA registration.
- Perform the work and duties of an Aboriginal Health Practitioner.
- Are employed as an Aboriginal Health Worker and paid as such.

We need to hear your stories and we also need you to think about being a part of our committee. All you need to do is be a financial member of the HSU and be passionate about wage reform for Aboriginal staff now, and for the future Aboriginal people choosing a job in health.

Please contact me if you are interested in joining our committee and send your stories to:

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Do you know someone who isn't an HSU member? Encourage them to join our Union today and have a say at work. We are always stronger when we stand together.

New members can join at <u>www.hsu.asn.au/join</u> or call 1300 478 679.