



Welcoming first impressions

Considering how culturally inclusive your service is to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families

“Whether you have Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families enrolled in your programs is not the question. The implementation and engagement of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture is too valuable not to embed and can only enrich your program for all children and families.”

- Michelle Hamilton, Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Inclusion Hub Manager, NSW/ACT Inclusion Agency

Learning about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Culture

What do you know about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, histories and culture?

What actions can you take in your service to promote a greater understanding and respect for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures?

How can you build relationships with the local Aboriginal community and learn more about culture?

Connecting with Community

Is your service connected with and known to the local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities?

What involvement does your service have with the local community?

- ▶ Do you attend local events or community meetings
- ▶ How can you utilise these opportunities to promote access for all children and families?

How can you seek feedback from the community to identify if your service is catering to the needs of the community and local families?

Reflecting on the “street appeal” of your service from the outside and inside

How do you represent Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures in all care environments?

What is welcoming to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families when they enter your service?

Does the outside of your service/building communicate that your service is inclusive of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture?

For more information talk with your Inclusion Professional and visit the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Hub on our website: inclusionagencynswact.org.au or call **1800 703 382**

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