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Improving Cultural Understanding and Engagement with people from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities. Practical learnings to improve your practice

This webinar is brought to you by 1800RESPECT as part of the Stand Together against Domestic and Family Violence campaign during the 16 Days of Action, 25 November – 10 December. Please see below.

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The details

When: Thursday, December 1, 2016

What Time: 01:00 PM AEDT

Duration: 45 minutes

Where: Online - wherever you like!

Presenter: Craig Rigney CEO of Kornar Winmil Yunti (KWY)

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NSW, ACT, VIC, TAS: 1.00 pm – 1.45pm

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Webinar Description

Family violence is a serious problem for many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities around the nation. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women are 35 times more likely to be hospitalised and twice as likely to die as an outcome of family violence compared to other Australian women. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children are over nine times as likely to be on care and protection orders and ten times more likely to be in out of home care than non-Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children. There are also lower reporting rates as women are known to face specific and additional barriers to reporting in their communities. The impacts of family violence are compounded by the fact that survivors of violence may not have access to culturally appropriate services or supports, may be distrustful of the justice system, and already experience significant socioeconomic disadvantage and marginalisation.

This webinar will explore the complexities of domestic and Aboriginal family violence, provide insights into greater Aboriginal cultural competency and community engagement, and share best practice approaches to recognising and responding for frontline workers across all sectors.

You can make a difference by watching this webinar and finding out what you can do to help break the cycle of violence, and increase the safety of women and children.

Craig Rigney CEO of Kornar Winmil Yunti (KWY)

Craig is currently the CEO of Kornar Winmil Yunti (KWY) an Aboriginal not for profit organisation based in Adelaide that works closely with the specialist homelessness and domestic violence services state wide.

Craig currently holds a range of representative positions including the Minister appointed - Aboriginal Community Leadership Reference Group – providing crucial advice regarding the government response to the Nyland Child Protection Systems Royal Commission Report to cabinet, South Australian Council of Social Services (SACOSS), the Coalition of Women’s Domestic Violence Services and the Coalition for Men Supporting Non-Violence.

He recently launched The Aboriginal Family Violence Program (AFVP) focusing on women who want to stay in their relationships. The program recognises the importance of culturally appropriate safety responses for Aboriginal women and children experiencing family violence.

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