



THE UNIVERSITY OF QUEENSLAND

Course title: INDH7004 Indigenous Health Policy

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Mode: Internal

Course introduction:

This course examines the political context of Indigenous health, the development of Indigenous health and related policy, and the influence of cultural, socio economic and political factors on that policy evolution.

Course aims:

The principal aims of this course are 1. to provide an overview of the recent political and historical context of Indigenous health, 2. to critically analyse the evolution of recent policy frameworks for Indigenous health, 3. to examine specific health policies and strategies related to the key issues in Indigenous health in Australia.

Course content:

Specific topics include:

- Indigenous health policy: Commonwealth and State relationships
- Indigenous health and self determination: the Community health services
- Two way health: the Aboriginal Health Worker
- The National Aboriginal Health Strategy
- The Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody
- Queensland Health's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Policy
- The Office of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health
- The Aboriginal Framework Agreements
- New models of health service agreements: Coordinated Care Trials
- Cultural Respect Framework for Aboriginal and Torres strait Islander People
- Strategic responses to key health issues: eg Substance abuse, Mental Health, Sexual Health, Diabetes and Renal Disease.

Method of assessment:

Two written assignments, group discussion and examination

Recommended text:

Couzos S and Murray R (2003) *Aboriginal Primary Health Care: an evidence-based approach*. Second Ed. Oxford: Oxford University Press

Reid J and Trompf P (1991) *The health of Aboriginal Australia*. Sydney: Harcourt Brace.

Required resources:

Study guide: This contains the week-by-week learning materials for each module. These include clear learning objectives, the required reading, introduction, a brief synopsis and key definitions, case studies, and then a series of practical exercises.

Online Blackboard site: This provides an interactive environment for you and teachers. Reliable and regular access to the Internet is required.

Further details are provided in the [Course Profile](#):
http://www.uq.edu.au/study/course.html?course_code=INDH7004