

# Federal Election 2019 Priorities

As the represented body for Aboriginal health in NSW, AH&MRC have identified 4 priorities that ensure ACCHSs are sustainable and are driving holistic and culturally strong approaches to redressing health inequities for Aboriginal peoples in NSW.

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## Development of a needs-based funding model for the ACCHS sector

- › The ACCHS sector to be funded long-term and sustainably to adequately address the health needs for Aboriginal peoples
- › Development of appropriate indexation arrangements that accurately reflect cost increases of the sector holistically
- › Collaboration with the ACCHS sector to create appropriate funding models

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## Support for ACCHS to maintain Community Controlled Health Services

- › Ensuring that Aboriginal health is Community Controlled. Aboriginal health in Aboriginal hands
- › Respect Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples' right to self-determination and acknowledgement that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and their representatives are those best placed to know what is needed in their communities

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## ACCHS to be the preferred providers of Aboriginal Health Services

- › Strategic partnerships between Government, ACCHSs and Aboriginal communities to inform policy development and ensure appropriate state, regional and local responses to emerging issues
- › ACCHS to be the preferred providers of health services for Aboriginal people through the development and implementation of agreed accountability, evaluation and reporting arrangements to support the provision of primary health care

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## Accountability and cultural competency

- › Regulation of funding for high quality service delivery accounting for the clinical and cultural appropriateness of the service
- › An increase and more consistent engagement with Aboriginal communities in decision-making regarding their health and well-being
- › Collaboration with government, mainstream health providers and networks to embed Cultural Competency as a core competency of mainstream and ACCHS health professionals
- › Investigation into feasibility of providing cultural competency education and training to mainstream providers

