

# COVID is here what are our priorities?

Challenge: to continue to deliver program during pandemic when all resources redirected to emergency vaccination programs

Improve understanding in communities of the dangers of tobacco and how it affects their health.

Show young people the benefits of never becoming a smoker.

Reduce smoking in cars, homes, workplaces and community areas.

Reduce the amount of passive smoking.

Help smokers to quit and stay smoke-free.

Record outcomes during multi faceted environment where TIS not the focus



# How will we meet these goals during periods of lockdown?

Utilise any opportunity to promote TIS messages in all interactions including ZOOM / TEAMS meetings, online presentations, COVID Activities

Provide partners stakeholders with resources and request they assist in all opportunities to interact in any forum

Request data and outcomes be recorded

#### Newcastle Aboriginal community Collective



KOIOP Connect

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www.kojopconnect.com.au

NDIS Supported Independent Living

NDIS Support coordination.

Home and Yard maintenance.



Aboriginal Medical, Aged Care & NDIS Services

Free call 1800 292 225

www.awabakal.org

**General Practice and GP supports.** 

NDIS services.

**Aged Care and Transport.** 

Early Childhood.



We Care

Ph (02) 4013 6079

https://<u>www.wecarensw.com.au</u>/contact-us

NDIS services.

Allied Health.

**Intensive Family Supports.** 

Transport.

Community & Cultural programs.



Muloobinba Family Support Services

Ph (02) 4969 5299

admin@muloobinba.org.au

Child and Family Support.

Foster & Kinship Care.

Family Preservation.

Nikinpa Aboriginal Child and Family

Centre.



Warlga Ngurra Women & Children's Refuge

Ph (02) 4950 1566

info@warlgangurra.org.au

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 ${\bf Crisis\ Accommodation\ \&\ Support.}$ 

Court & Outreach Support.

Advocacy, Housing and Children support &

Referrals.

Specialist Homelessness Services.



**Justiz Community** 

(02) 4960 9992

info@justiz.com.au

**NDIS Services.** 

Community & Cultural programs.

Awabakal Elders.

Advocacy

# Newcastle & Lake Macquarie

Thursday 14th Oct, 10am - 3pm

Jesmond Neighbourhood Centre
No appointment necessary

Friday 15th Oct, 9:30am - 12:30pm **Bahtabah LALC, Blacksmiths**Call 1300 174 908 (option 2) to make an appointment Accepting walk-ins and appointments

Saturday 16th Oct, 10am - 1pm **Hamilton Awabakal Medical Clinic, 38a Samdon St**No appointment necessary

Regular weekly booked clinics at the Hamilton & Cardiff Medical Centres

Call 1300 174 908 to make an appointment



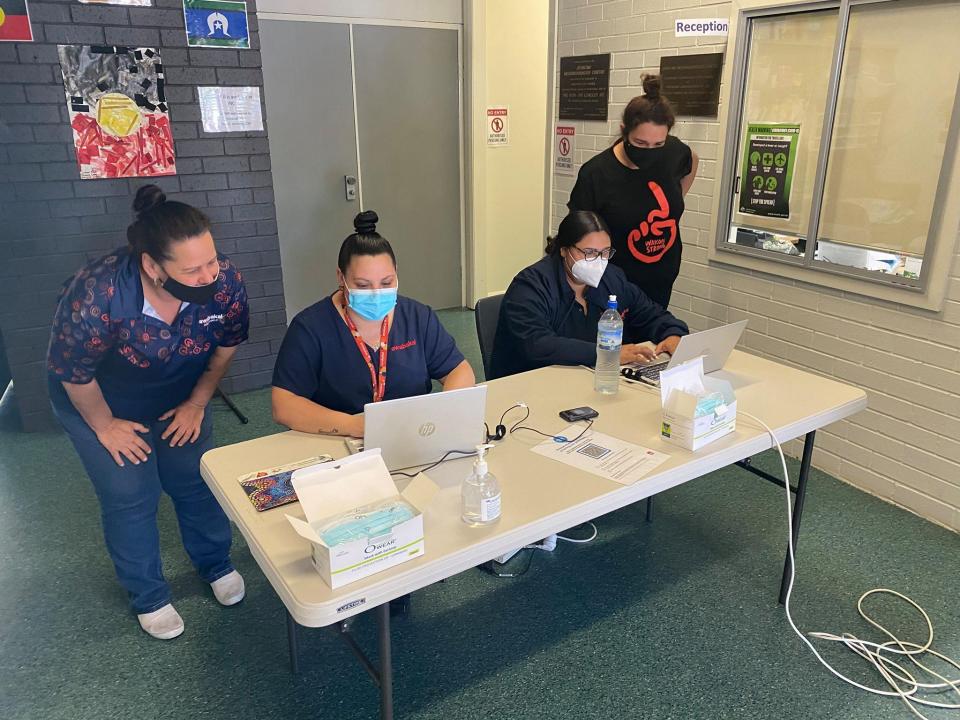
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### M & E Methods

Document attendance numbers and record them to show how many people we are reaching.

Record number vaccinations administered

Display TIs resources such as No smoking signs, banners

Hold a tobacco information stall at the event where possible

Partner with other organisations to achieve collective goals e.g. Birra Li Infant and Maternal Health team, LALC's, ACON, youth organisations etc.

Documented case studies

### M & E Methods



Social media analytics



Evidence – photos , film, resources



Smoke free home and car initiatives/ resources included inn all support packs — record outcomes for distribution of resources and uptake of program/ number of pledges



Clinical staff provided opportunity to hand out NRT samples upon request

#### Covid Vaccination Hub statistics Awabakal Statistics

Doses given as of 24/10/2021 – 10,130

Location	1st Dose	2nd Dose
Cardiff	1434	1096
Hamilton	1749	1511
Karuah	25	30
Maitland	848	706
Raymond Terrace	1192	1040
Toronto	214	209
Windale	5	77
Total	5467	4669

Awabakal Current ATSI patient numbers: (Note we do have more patients in our DB but they are Non-ATSI or unidentified) As of 24/10/2021

12-15 : 777 16-59: 4,697 60+: 534

Age	ATSI Current Patients	Vaccinated 2nd Dose	% Double Dosed
12-15	777	340	43.8%
16-59	4697	2601	55.4%
60+	534	348	65.2%

Please note that we have done more vaccinations of Aboriginal and Torres strait Islander living in our community who aren't part of our current patient database. As far as numbers for just the patients from our medical database the above tables reflect that.

Demand for vaccines/Number of doses administered by Awabakal each week. There has been reduced demand through our clinics since the end of September.

Week of	No. of Doses
12/04/2021 - 18/04/2021	10
19/04/2021 - 25/04/2021	67
26/04/2021 - 2/05/2021	34
3/05/2021 - 9/05/2021	33
10/05/2021 - 16/05/2021	12
17/05/2021 - 23/05/2021	28
24/05/2021 - 30/05/2021	24
31/05/2021 - 6/06/2021	23
7/06/2021 - 13/06/2021	10
14/06/2021 - 20/06/2021	4
21/06/2021 - 27/06/2021	6
28/06/2021 - 4/07/2021	9
5/07/2021 - 11/07/2021	28
12/07/2021 - 18/07/2021	71
19/07/2021 - 25/07/2021	118
26/07/2021 - 1/08/2021	136
2/08/2021 - 8/08/2021	144
9/08/2021 - 15/08/2021	420
16/08/2021 - 22/08/2021	222
23/08/2021 - 29/08/2021	367
30/08/2021 - 5/09/2021	897
6/09/2021 - 12/09/2021	1197
13/09/2021 - 19/09/2021	1001
20/09/2021 - 26/09/2021	1015
27/09/2021 - 3/10/2021	1750
4/10/2021 - 10/10/2021	1099
11/10/2021 - 17/10/2021	750
18/10/2021 - 23/10/2021	682



# What else did we do?

Opportunities were limited and we had to relish every opportunity to deliver our program.

We increased our TIS on social media posts including linking to our health calendar and detrimental impact of smoking for those suffering chronic illnesses

Social media was also used to provide instructions and examples of using NRT products due to limited capacity for face to face contact



Earlier this year, Rod Smith sat down with Steven Oliver to chat aborexperience with smoking and quitting. The rate of smoking in our Community is too high, with 37% smoking every day. If you are reac quit, talk to your doctor or get an Awabakal I'm Quitting Pack. https://pages.awabakal.org/im-quitting-awabakal



YOUTUBE.COM

Steven Oliver talks about Tackling Indigenous Smoking

Steven Oliver started smoking when he was 14 years old. Rod Smith



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## **Impact**

- Provided services and products where required during pandemic when not all accessible
- Created opportunities and partnerships to work collaboratively with others extending reach of the program and large population audience through NACC
- Created trust and built on our community relationships – seen as great support and was included with other items that were provided to assist and provide some emotional comfort and relief as well as financial benefits though access to welfare services and allowed others to champion the TIS program

## Challenges

- Enabled us to continue to deliver program using various methods
- Challenged team to think outside the square
- Delivery of information and resources during lockdowns assisted by vax clinics still allowing interaction
- Capturing outcomes effectively in a diverse environment

https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=111105 6439657815 – NAIDOC Foodbank distribution

https://www.facebook.com/watch/live/?ref= watch\_permalink&v=488988932204946 — NAIDOC live TIS Adverts and testimonials throughout the broadcast

