



# RE-SIGNING OF THE GREATER WESTERN AREA HEALTH SERVICE AND BILA MUUJI ABORIGINAL HEALTH SERVICE INC

12TH AUGUST 2009



The NSW Aboriginal Health Partnership will enhance and support Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Services and NSW Health in health service provision to the Aboriginal people of New South Wales.

The NSW Aboriginal Health Partnership Committee will provide leadership and ongoing advice on general health policy, strategic planning, service issues and equity in allocation of resources wherever appropriate.

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*Greater Western AHS will be resigning a significant Partnership Agreement with the Bila Muuji Aboriginal Health Services Incorporation on the 19 August 2009.*

*The original Partnership Agreement was signed on the 12 March 2009 by Greater Western AHS Chief Executive, Dr Claire Blizzard and Bila Muuji Aboriginal Health Service Inc Chair Person, Christine Corby at the Yarradamarra Centre Dubbo TAFE NSW.*

*The resigning of this Partnership signifies a recommitment to the importance of partnerships at both an area and regional*

*level. It will also enhance and support Bila Muuji Aboriginal Health Services Inc and Greater Western AHS by;*

- *Providing better health service provisions to Aboriginal people within Greater Western NSW.*
- *Providing leadership and ongoing advice on general health policies, strategic planning, service issues and equity in the allocation of resources where appropriate.*
- *Enabling Greater Western AHS to utilise the expertise within Bila Muuji Aboriginal Health Services Inc to enhance and improve health service delivery and equally for Bila Muuji Aboriginal Health Services Inc to utilise the clinical expertise within Greater Western AHS's.*

*Signatories to the Greater Western Bila Muuji Aboriginal Health Partnership will be; Greater Western AHS Chief Executive, Danny O'Connor, and Bila Muuji Aboriginal Health Service Inc Chair Person, Christine Corby.*



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*After the formalities of the second signing, the Greater Western Bila Muuji Executives will attend a meeting of this working group. This meeting will provide an opportunity for joint planning and collaborative program delivery at a regional level between Greater Western AHS and the Bila Muuji Aboriginal Health Services Inc in relation to Aboriginal Health.*

*"It's an exciting step towards the Greater Western AHS's aims to enhance health service provisions to Aboriginal people within the AHS.*

*"Both parties will agree to respect the identity, autonomy and organisational integrity of each party to this Agreement and will acknowledge the principles in the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and the National targets for 'Closing the Gap' in life expectancy, child mortality and other aspects of health inequity," said Ms Williams.*

**Venue:** Orana Education Centre (OEC)  
Myall Street  
Dubbo NSW 2830

**Date/Time:** 19 August 2009, 9.00 am

**Recommitment signing of Partnership Agreement**

