

Metro North Health message from the

# CKW Executive Director and Manager Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Services

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We respectfully acknowledge the Traditional Owners and Custodians of the land on which our facilities are built. We also pay respect and acknowledge Elders past, present and the future.

To Caboolture, Kilcoy and Woodford staff,


NAIDOC Week (6 -13 July 2025) is a time for reflection, recognition, and celebration of the rich cultures, histories and contributions of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, among the world's oldest continuing cultures.

This year marks a special milestone: **50 years of NAIDOC** - a powerful legacy of celebrating the voices, strength and resilience of First Nations communities across the country.

The 2025 theme, '*The Next Generation: Strength, Vision and Legacy*', invites us to honour the trailblazers who came before, while turning our attention to the young leaders shaping the future. It's a tribute to the enduring wisdom of Elders, the power of community, and the bright path being forged by the next generation.

At CKW, we stand alongside Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples on the journey toward health equity. We remain committed to culturally safe, community-led care - particularly for young people. By investing in their wellbeing early - mind, body and spirit, we help create stronger foundations for future generations.

As we celebrate NAIDOC Week, we encourage staff to join in the events and activities being held at CKW and share in the knowledge and culture.



**Caboolture, Kilcoy and Woodford**

CKW Reconciliation Action Plan Working Group invites you to attend an event to celebrate NAIDOC 2025.

**Wednesday 9 July**  
**10.00am - 12.00pm**  
Caboolture Hospital Courtyard Main Foyer

The theme for this year's NAIDOC Week 6 – 13 July is **'The Next Generation: Strength, Vision & Legacy'**, which celebrates the bright future ahead as young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander leaders forge a vision for the future while remembering the legacy of their ancestor's achievements.



Kind regards,

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and

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