

Thursday 16 March – Friday 17 March 2017 Woodward Conference Centre

Level 10, 185 Pelham Street, Carlton, VIC

The conference will provide opportunity for discussion and planning for *what needs to be done to Close the Gap for Vision by* **2020** and is supported by our partners National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation, Optometry Australia, Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Ophthalmologists and Vision 2020 Australia.

The conference is designed for those working in all aspects of Indigenous eye care: from health workers and practitioners, to regional and jurisdictional organisations. It will include ACCHOs, NGOs, professional bodies and government departments.

Day 1 Thursday 16 March	Day 2 Friday 17 March
Welcome and Acknowledgements	
Regional approaches to eye care	Eye care initiatives and system reforms
 Regional progress overview Urban, regional and remote region examples Empowering regional stakeholder groups Importance of jurisdictional committees What's working/what's not working? 	 Refractive error – spectacle scheme initiatives Trachoma update Diabetic retinopathy screening and treatment Update equipment project Telemedicine in eye care What do we need to do to fix cataract?
Close the Gap Day celebration	Sharing state and territory progress
Planning and performance monitoring	Health promotion and education
 National Eye Health Survey Improving the coordination of eye care Role of ACCHOs, PHNs, Fundholders Assessing needs and funding What is needed for improved performance monitoring? 	 Successes in Aboriginal health promotion Evaluating eye health promotion Cultural safety Workforce education and training Are we ready to close the gap for vision?
State and territory catch up	Panel discussion Close the Gap for Vision by 2020
Conference dinner	

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