

# Evaluating the progress of regional implementation of the Roadmap to Close the Gap for Vision

## Summary of evaluation elements and methods – December 2020

### Key evaluation questions (KEQs):

1. How is regional activity to improve eyecare services for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples being implemented across Australia?
2. What changes are happening as a result of this activity, including to: awareness, knowledge, practice, systems, processes, pathways, service user access and outcomes?
3. What are the enablers and barriers to implementing regional eye health activity?
4. What else is needed to improve eye care systems and eye health outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples?
5. What is the role and effectiveness of Indigenous Eye Health (IEH) at the University of Melbourne in supporting Roadmap implementation?
6. Are there learnings that are transferrable beyond Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples eyecare?

### Evaluation Elements

#### Desktop Review

Led by IEH team members

#### Evaluation of role of IEH

Led by Clear Horizon Consultants

#### Regional Implementation Survey

Led by ARTD Consultants

#### Regional Implementation Case Studies

Led by ARTD Consultants

### KEQs to Answer:



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Deeper analysis of KEQs 1-6

### Participants:



None

Stakeholders working across Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander eye care sector including service provision, program management, funding and policy roles

Stakeholders working in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander eye health across Australia, including service provision, program management, funding and policy roles

Up to 9 regions identified through EOI from metro/ remote/regional areas. Regional stakeholder group members (people working in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander eye health) and Jurisdictional representatives for context

### Method:



Search of publicly available grey and peer-reviewed literature

Key informant interviews

Online or telephone survey

Focus groups and interviews

### When:



February 2021

September 2020 to February 2021 (following multisite ethics approvals\*)

Release December 2020/January 2021 (pending multisite ethics approvals\*)

Sites 1-2 before November 2020  
Sites 3-9 before April 2021

Evaluation reports to be completed by June 2021

### Co-design

The development and implementation of this evaluation is underpinned by a co-design process with stakeholders working across the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander eyecare sector. Ongoing guidance and expertise is provided by an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Reference Group.

### \*Multi-site ethics approvals:

Ethics approvals have been received from The University of Melbourne, Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies, Aboriginal Health and Medical Research Council of NSW, Aboriginal Health Research Ethics Committee of South Australia, Human Research Ethics Committee of the Northern Territory, Central Australian Human Research Ethics Committee and Western Australian Aboriginal Health Ethics Committee. Applications are pending with other entities and appropriate local approvals will be sought as required.

External consultants from ARTD Consultants and Clear Horizon have been engaged to provide evaluation independence and expertise.

