KOORI MATERNITY SERVICES IN VICTORIA





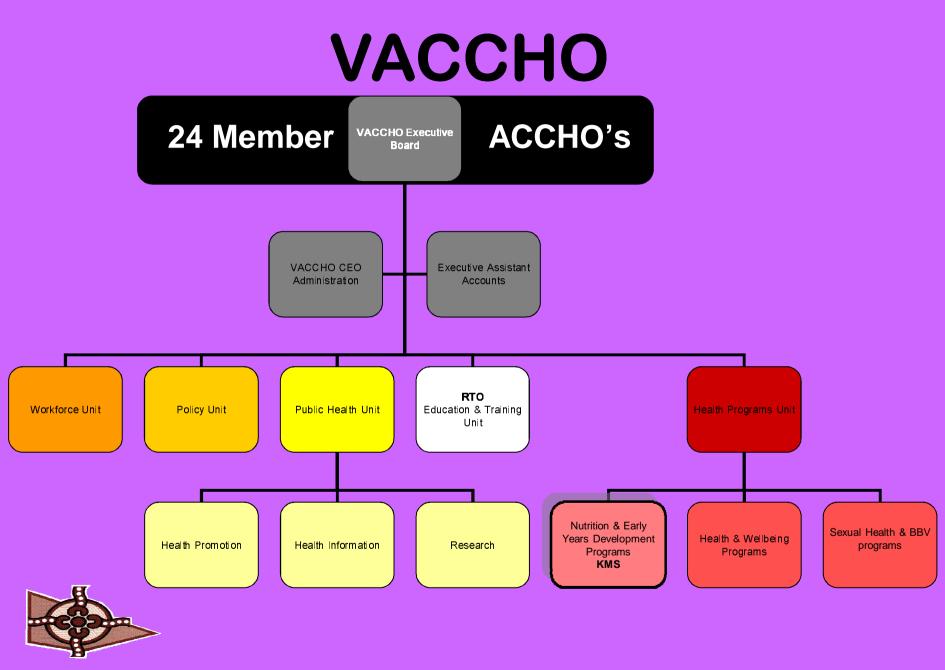
Victorian Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation

Koori Maternity Strategy

VACCHO

- Peak body of Victorian Aboriginal Health
- Represents 24 member Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisations & Services (ACCHO's)
- ACCHO's deliver primary health care to the Aboriginal Community
- VACCHO support & advocate for 25 Member ACCHO's
- VACCHO funded by State & Commonwealth government
- VACCHO is a Registered Training Organisation VACCHO is the peak body for Aboriginal Health in Victoria







VACCHO Koori Maternity Strategy & Early Years Development Team

- Koori Maternity Services
 Women's Business Forums
- Site visits and reviews
- Health Promotions
- KMS Day
- Education and Training support



KMS Women's Business Forum 2008









Koori Maternity Services

KMS

- 1. Location of KMS sites
- 2. Models of Care/ Services Provided
- 3. Impacts and Achievements
- 4. Challenges
- 5. Future Plans









VACCHO Member Organisations

Mildura Aboriginal Cooperative

Murray Valley Aboriginal Cooperative



- Njernda Aboriginal Cooperative
- Mungabareena Aboriginal Cooperative
- Rumbalara Aboriginal Cooperative

Melbourne

Centre

Bunurong Medical

 Bendigo & District ●Budia Budia Aboriginal Cooperative Aboriginal

Aboriginal Cooperative

 Ballarat & District Windamara Aboriginal Cooperative

Goolum Goolum

Aboriginal Cooperative

Cooperative

- Dhuawurd Wurrung Elderly Citizens Ass.
- Wathaurong Aboriginal [¶]
- Cooperative
- Gunditimara Aboriginal ooperative
 - ●Kirrae Community Health Centre

- Western Suburbs Place

- Moogji Aboriginal Cooperative Gippsland & East
- Gippsland Aboriginal

 Lake Tyers Cooperative
 - Aboriginal Trust
- Ramahyuck & District Aboriginal Corporation
- Central Gippsland Aboriginal Health & Housing_

Model of Care/ Services

- The KMS operate a Clinical-Linkage-Advocacy Health Promotion Model of Care
- Employs an Aboriginal Health Worker and Midwife work as a complimentary team
- Provide a holistic service that focuses on Antenatal, Pregnancy and Postnatal Care



IMPACTS & ACHIEVEMENTS

- More women accessing antenatal care and earlier
- Good working relationships with mainstream orgs have been established
- Services have been flexible to meet the needs of Koori women
- Continuity of care has improved
- Women are more familiar with the hospital before they birth
- Decrease in Low Birth Weight
- Decrease in smoking whilst pregnant



CHALLENGES

- Partnerships and cultural competencies
- Community Developments
- Health Promotions (nutrition & physical activity, breastfeeding, smoking)



FUTURE PLANS FOR KMS

- Producing Health Promotion Resources for families and communities
- Strengthening the links between the KMS and the In Home Support programs
- Developing a training awareness package on Perinatal Mental Health
- Celebrating our achievements





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