



THROUGH YOUNG BLACK EYES TRAIN-THE-TRAINER WORKSHOPS

CALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST TO HOST A WORKSHOP

About SNAICC

The Secretariat of National Aboriginal and Islander Child Care (SNAICC) is the national non-government peak body in Australia representing the interests of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and families.

Background to the Project

SNAICC's *Through Young Black Eyes* Workshop Kit contains a set of resources to assist communities to run workshops about family violence, and develop a child-safe community or organisation – all of which can be adapted to suit local community needs.

In 2012-2013, Indigenous children were eight times as likely to be the subject of substantiations as non-Indigenous children. The rate of Indigenous children in out-of-home care is more than 10 times the rate of non-Indigenous children (AIFS, 2014). Both of these rates have increased since 2008-9. These child protection concerns are linked to issues of domestic and family violence, and point to the need for an increased focus on holistic preventative services on keeping children and families safe and together.

We know from our evaluation data that the TYBE Workshop Kit is one of SNAICC's most popular resources, which builds on the strengths of our communities by providing resources for strong community leaders and workers in this sector to address the above issues. Workers in our member organisations are often well-connected, strong members of their local Indigenous communities who are well placed to use this kit to help respond to and work to prevent family violence, child abuse, and neglect, and build child safe organisations and communities. However, SNAICC feels that a project like this is needed to build the confidence of these workers and increase the use of the kit in our communities.

For more background information on SNAICC or the *Through Young Black Eyes* resource, please see our website at www.snaicc.org.au

The Project

SNAICC is able to offer a number of subsidised, two-day, train-the-trainer workshops about how to use the *Through Young Black Eyes Workshop Kit*.

This project will have the overarching goal of supporting healing from – and the prevention of – family violence, child abuse, and neglect, and supporting the building of child-safe communities and organisations. To do this, the project will aim to build the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander workforce's capacity to use SNAICC's *Through Young Black Eyes Workshop Kit*.

SNAICC is seeking interested Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander organisations to host a small number of workshops before 30 June 2015, as well as a number of workshops in the July-December 2015 period. Workshop locations and hosts will be decided by SNAICC.

Priority will be given to workshops hosted by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander organisations. For a more detailed outline of the selection criteria and process, please see below.

The Workshops

SNAICC's workshops will help workers plan workshops in their communities that support healing from – and prevention of – family violence, child abuse, and neglect, and the building of child-safe organisations.

Workshops will be held over two days and would best suit a group of 12-20 participants.

The learning objectives of the workshop are for participants to:

- discuss and learn about issues relating to family violence, child abuse and neglect in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.
- discuss the strengths in their communities which may assist in addressing these issues.
- identify future goals and activities they can undertake in relation to addressing family violence, child abuse and neglect in their communities.
- increase confidence and skills in running workshops using the *Through Young Black Eyes Workshop kit*, including through:
 - clarifying the aims of their own future workshop/s.
 - designing a sample agenda for a workshop.
 - discussing the challenges in running workshops and how to overcome them.

What is involved in hosting a workshop?

SNAICC will provide the facilitators and workshop materials for each two-day workshop.

The host agency will be asked to provide the venue, catering, and promotion and registration for participant attendance (SNAICC does not have funding for participant travel or back-fill).

One complimentary *Through Young Black Eyes* Workshop Kit will be provided to each participant who attends the training. Additional *Through Young Black Eyes* Workshop Kits can be purchased from the SNAICC website at the Resource Shop at www.snaicc.org.au

SNAICC would work with host agencies to evaluate the workshops and the project, so we would seek your input and feedback before, during, and after the workshop.

Who can Express Interest?

SNAICC is seeking expressions of interest from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander organisations* from around Australia to host a workshop.

Organisations can apply in partnership to host a workshop.

Host organisations will be selected based on the following selection criteria:

- Be a SNAICC member organisation or Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community controlled* child or family service organisation with a commitment to addressing family violence.
- Ability to host a workshop with at least 12 participants, preferably staff or volunteers who are likely to use *Through Young Black Eyes Workshop* kit as part of their work in the future.
- Ability to host a workshop before 30 June 2015 OR in the July-December 2015 period.
- Ability to provide a venue and catering, as well as promote, register and support participant attendance.
- Have a demonstrated commitment to addressing family violence, child abuse, and neglect in their community, or the community in which they operate.
- Demonstrate a commitment to supporting trained participants to deliver at least two workshops subsequent to the training and share their evaluations of these workshops with SNAICC.
- Return the below Expression of Interest form to SNAICC by **17 April 2015**.

*If applying in a partnership at least one organisation must be Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community controlled.

How to Express Interest?

Complete the expression of interest form (attached below) and email, fax or post it back to us by 17 April 2015.

For more information: Call Alice (SNAICC Training Team Administrator) on 03 9489 8099

The deadline for applying is 17 April 2015.



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EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FORM**

To complete this expression of interest, please type or handwrite an answer to each question below, then post, fax or email the form to Catriona at SNAICC by 17 April 2015.

What is the name of your organisation? *(if applying in partnership, please include names of all organisations, nominating a lead organisation)*

Is your organisation (or lead organisation) an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Community-Controlled organisation (this is an essential requirement)?

Yes No Not sure

SNAICC Membership # (if applicable): _____

Contact Person

Name:	Position:
Phone Number:	Email:
Address:	

Please describe in a few sentences why your organisation would benefit from hosting a Through Young Black Eyes workshop

Approximately how many participants would attend? *(minimum 12)*

Who would your workshop be for? *(e.g. early childhood workers, counsellors, board members, staff in ?? role, etc.)*

Where would you hold your workshop?

When would be a good time to host the workshop? *(Note, it must be held before 30 June 2015 OR between July-December 2015).*

Is there any other information you would like to include? *(optional)*

To send in this form:

Fax: 03 9489 8044

Email: training@snaicc.org.au

Post: SNAICC Training, PO Box 1445, Fitzroy North, VIC, 3068

For more info:

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DEADLINE 17 APRIL 2015