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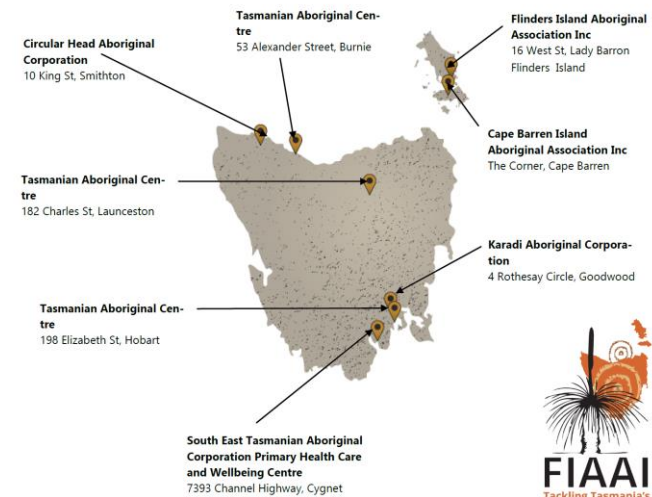
ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Firstly, I would like to pay my respect to the traditional and original owners of this land, - to pay respect to Elders past, present and future, and to acknowledge the Tasmanian Aboriginal community who are the custodians of this land on which we meet today.



About the Organisation

The Flinders Island Aboriginal Association Incorporated (FIAAI) is an Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisation established in 1971 by a group of local Aboriginal people and their partners.

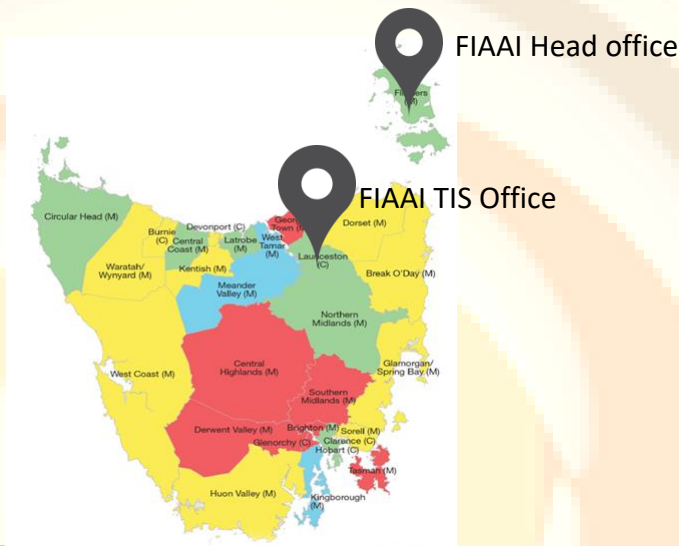


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Tasmania's TIS Team

- We have a team of four that service the whole state of Tasmania.
- We are based in Launceston, not directly working out of the FIAAI Health services due to it being remote



Indicator 1: Quality and reach of community engagement

Events and Programs

- Primary School education sessions- 21 Schools visited in the last 6 months
- Information sessions including High Schools, Quit Cafes, visits to other ACCHOS. Discussions with High School nurses, Men's Sheds (Men's Health days/ nights) an Woman's health sessions.
- Regular attendance to events including, Local shows, Health Expos, Youth festivals, University information days and College taster days.
- Regular smoking cessation training offered to ACCHO's (more on that in indicator 3)



SNAP Shot Of Our Events

Events:



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"Smokes Wont Crush Us" campaign

The "Wont Crush US" campaign is a well-recognised Tasmanian based and developed campaign with local Tasmanian Aboriginal ambassadors.

Through consultation with Aboriginal organisations and community members, ambassadors were chosen to ensure that each area had a renowned and respected member of their community.

Evidence has shown, through a Facebook survey conducted by TIS that the Tasmanian Community felt a sense of pride and connection to the ambassadors in the campaign and that TV ads received the greatest recall.

Our campaign has now been revised and evolved in to "Its Never Ok To Smoke Around Us" and "No Smokes, No Limits"



Indicator 2: Organisations involved in tobacco reduction in the region

FIAAI TIS engage and collaborate with a number of organisations throughout the state, these organisations include:

- Aboriginal health services/programs/organisations
- Schools (Primary and High Schools), Youth service (Headspace/ The Young Aboriginal Support Program YAsp.
- Quit Tasmania
- Child and Family Centres
- Neighbourhood houses
- Reference/coalition groups
- Sponsorships (sporting groups and other)
- Training and support organisations
- AFL Tasmania.

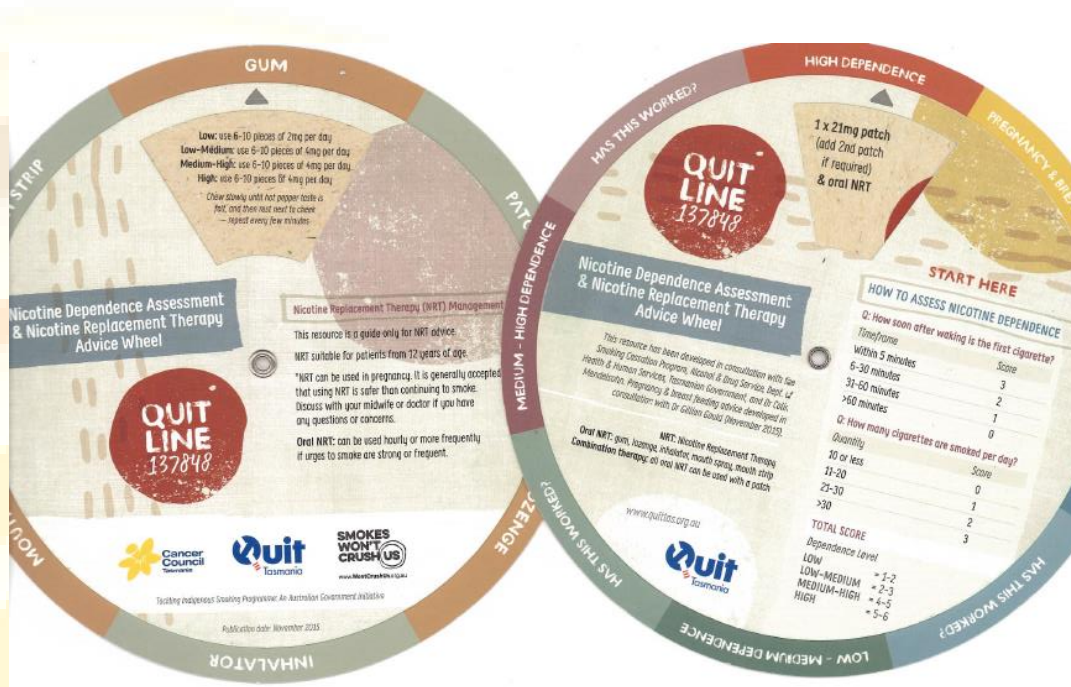
FIAAI TIS have continued as a member of the Tobacco Coalition, and have joined the “Priority Population” working group.

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Indicator 2: Organisations involved in tobacco reduction in the region

- Assistance In the development of the Nicotine Dependence Assessment and Nicotine Replacement Therapy Advice Wheel with Quit Tasmania.



Indicator 3: Building capacity to support quitting

At FIAAI TIS we believe smoking cessation is everyone's business.

Smoking cessation specific training offered to, but not limited:

- ✓ ACCHO's and AMS's across Tasmania
- ✓ School Nurses- In conjunction with our 3 step High School Program
- ✓ Child and Family Centres
- ✓ Youth workers
- ✓ Transport workers

Trainings included " No More Butts" conducted by a Clinical Nurse Consultant- Smoking Cessation Program. No Smokes and Quit Skills.

All FIAAI TIS Team members have completed their Quit Skills Training. 60% of FIAAI Health have completed Quit Skills. 100 % have completed " No Smokes" Training in the last 6 Months.



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Indicator 4: Referrals to appropriate quitting support

- Aboriginal smokers exposed to TIS activities, whether it is through Quit Café's, community events or by other means, are given a suite of options to access for additional quitting support.
- Local Aboriginal Health Services
- Local GP- If signed up for Closing the Gap- We have visited 45% of GP clinics in the last 6 months, that are registered for Closing The Gap and made them aware of our services and distributed culturally appropriate posters and referral cards.



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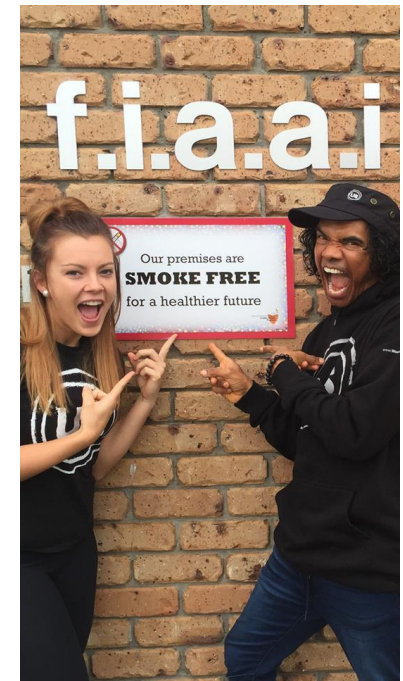
- Quit Tasmania- Numbers have been low due only recently gaining an Aboriginal Quit line officer. Previous to this TIS conducted a survey with the results stating community would rather speak to the TIS team and their local Aboriginal Health service/ GP.

* As we are a state wide program, not based within a health services we do not have access to Communicare data. This is something we are working on with our key ACCHO's and advisory group.



TIS Indicator 5: Supporting smoke-free environments

- Assistance with development or altering to Work Place Smoking Policies.
- Culturally appropriate smoke free signage templates are being developed to be offered to orgs as part of their smoke free space policy implementation.
- Including local sporting grounds, Child and Family Centres and Neighbourhood Houses
- FIAAI TIS have continued to regularly promote, attend and support smoke free events and workplaces. A policy of the teams' attendance and support in exchange for enacting smoke free or smoke minimisation policies at events has been established.



Thank you!

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