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Recovery from Concussion in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples

11am-12pm AWST, 1 May 2026

Concussion (mTBI) can have short- and long-term impacts on individuals, families, and communities, with high incidence in Aboriginal populations. This presentation, part of the AUS-mTBI project, explores Aboriginal peoples' experiences through interviews with affected individuals, families, and service providers in WA. Key themes include the importance of connection to Country and Elders, understanding of concussion, and negative healthcare experiences involving racism. Participants highlighted the need for better screening, especially in domestic violence contexts, and culturally responsive care and education initiatives.



About the Presenters

Professor Beth Armstrong is Director of Rural Health South West at ECU in Bunbury, WA. She leads a national multidisciplinary team of Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander and non-Aboriginal researchers focused on improving service delivery and quality of life for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people after traumatic brain injury and stroke.

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