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A Clear View: Improving Indigenous Eye Health

LIVE webcast and simultaneous satellite broadcast on Foundation satellite network and National Indigenous TV.

Tuesday 26th July

8.00pm - NSW, ACT, VIC, QLD & TAS

7.30pm - SA & NT

6.00pm - WA



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Indigenous children are born with better eyesight than their non-indigenous counterparts, but by the time they reach adulthood they are six times more likely to be blind and three times more likely to have low vision.

Research has concluded that much of the current state of poor eye health of Indigenous people is due to inappropriate or inadequate health service delivery. Cataracts are the most common cause of bilateral blindness, and only two thirds of Indigenous people with cataracts receive surgery.

There is a need for culturally appropriate awareness and understanding on the part of health professionals to enhance early detection and treatment.

This program discusses different eye health diseases as well as the continuum of eye care that includes prevention, early detection, treatment and rehabilitation. Filmed case studies feature some specific models of care.

Panel participants:

Chair: **Dr Norman Swan**: Presenter of the *Health Report* on ABC Radio National

Professor Hugh R. Taylor AC - Harold Mitchell Professor of Indigenous Eye Health, Melbourne School of Population Health, University of Melbourne

Dr Tim Henderson - Eye Specialist, Alice Springs Hospital, NT

Ms Anna Morse - Optometrist, Project Manager, Aboriginal Eye Care, International Centre for Eyecare Education (ICEE)

Ms Barbara O'Connor - Indigenous Regional Eye Health Coordinator, Woollongabba, QLD

Satellite Broadcast repeated Friday 29th July

12.30pm - NSW, ACT, VIC, QLD & TAS

12.00pm - SA & NT

9.30am - WA

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