



Indigenising Research in Health & Wellbeing: *fit for community, fit for purpose.*

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The Sydney Partnership for Health, Education, Research and Enterprise (SPHERE)

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Who we are.....

- We (the partnership) service a population of more than 2 million people & growing
- We employ more than 50,000 people
- We generate >\$5 billion total revenue across SPHERE Members
- We cared for >25% of the admissions to NSW hospitals in 2016
- Partners administer >\$100 million NHMRC funding
- Clinical Academic Groups including dedicated Aboriginal Health and Wellbeing CAG (aka Stream)

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Partners



Aboriginal Health and Wellbeing CAG

- Co-Chair: Aunty Kerrie Doyle and Prof. Annemarie Hennessy
- Leads a research team that includes membership across UNSW, UTS and WSU.
- Our commitment is to be a leading place for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, their communities, their knowledge and their perspectives in progressing long lasting health and wellbeing achievements in health research, research translation, education, practice, and service delivery.
- Our objective is to translate successful holistic and integrated models of health care attuned to, and/or determined by, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander perspectives, needs and experiences into health research, health policy, health service delivery, and health professional education and training.

Aboriginal Health and Wellbeing CAG's Current Priorities

Engagement

Focus of work: connection, collaboration & co-creation in Aboriginal health research partnerships

Evaluation & Methodology

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Education & Workforce

Focus of work: continuous quality improvement of learning and teaching in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health and Wellbeing among SPHERE member universities & building the cultural capacity of SPHERE partners

Population Health 'Justice Health'

Focus of work: leveraging existing prisoner and justice health research and health care expertise into further research, education, practice & health translation

Aboriginal Health and Wellbeing CAG Capacity Developing Activities

- All Funded positions within CAG are *'identified'*.
- Established Cooperation across 3 universities to promote Aboriginal Career pathways.
- Negotiating for SPHERE Translational Research Fellowships to be made available within ACCHO's (on-going)
- Developing Aboriginal Research Leadership within the Management of CAGs.
- Promoting strategies developed by AHRA Aboriginal Health Initiative to enable Aboriginal Researcher Placement across Institutional partners.

Aboriginal Health and Wellbeing CAG

Strengths:

- Western Sydney has a high population of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families and strong opportunities for Indigenous researcher capacity building and career pathways support from the work already accomplished in these areas.
- Research expertise and projects were identified in diverse fields, and primarily in the following fields:
 - Social and emotional well being
 - Child health and development
 - Epidemiology
 - Social determinants of health
 - Health systems effectiveness
 - Health policy
 - Evaluation
 - Adolescent and youth health
 - Sexual Health



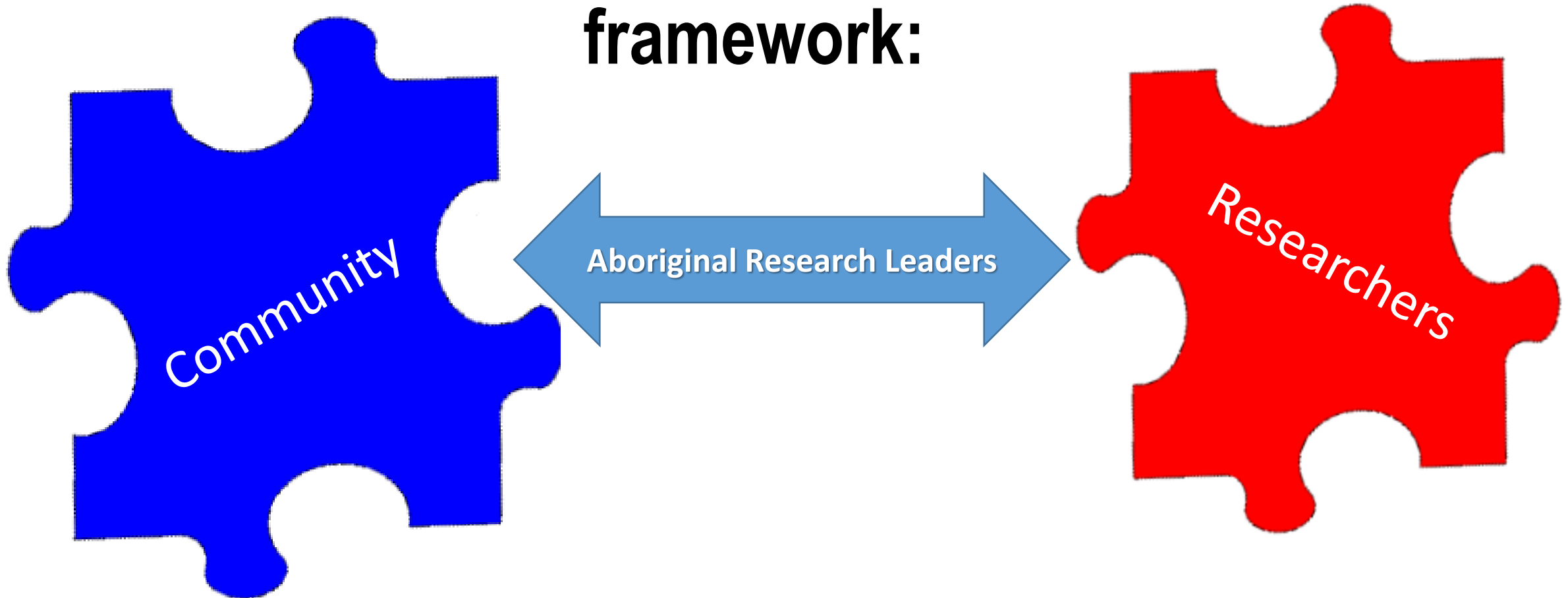
Aboriginal Health and Wellbeing CAG

Strengths:

- Distributed project leadership across institutional partners
- Adapting the Lowitja model of in-kind contributions
- Extending successful research-education-healthcare translation work already underway by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and partners;
- Identifying the research-education-workforce-service translation gaps to progress key priority areas; and identifying strategies to leverage our work for future funding and influence
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander youth justice and health team
- Strengthening Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and non-Aboriginal researcher capacity



Aboriginal Health and Wellbeing CAG CAG's framework:



Fit for community: fit for purpose



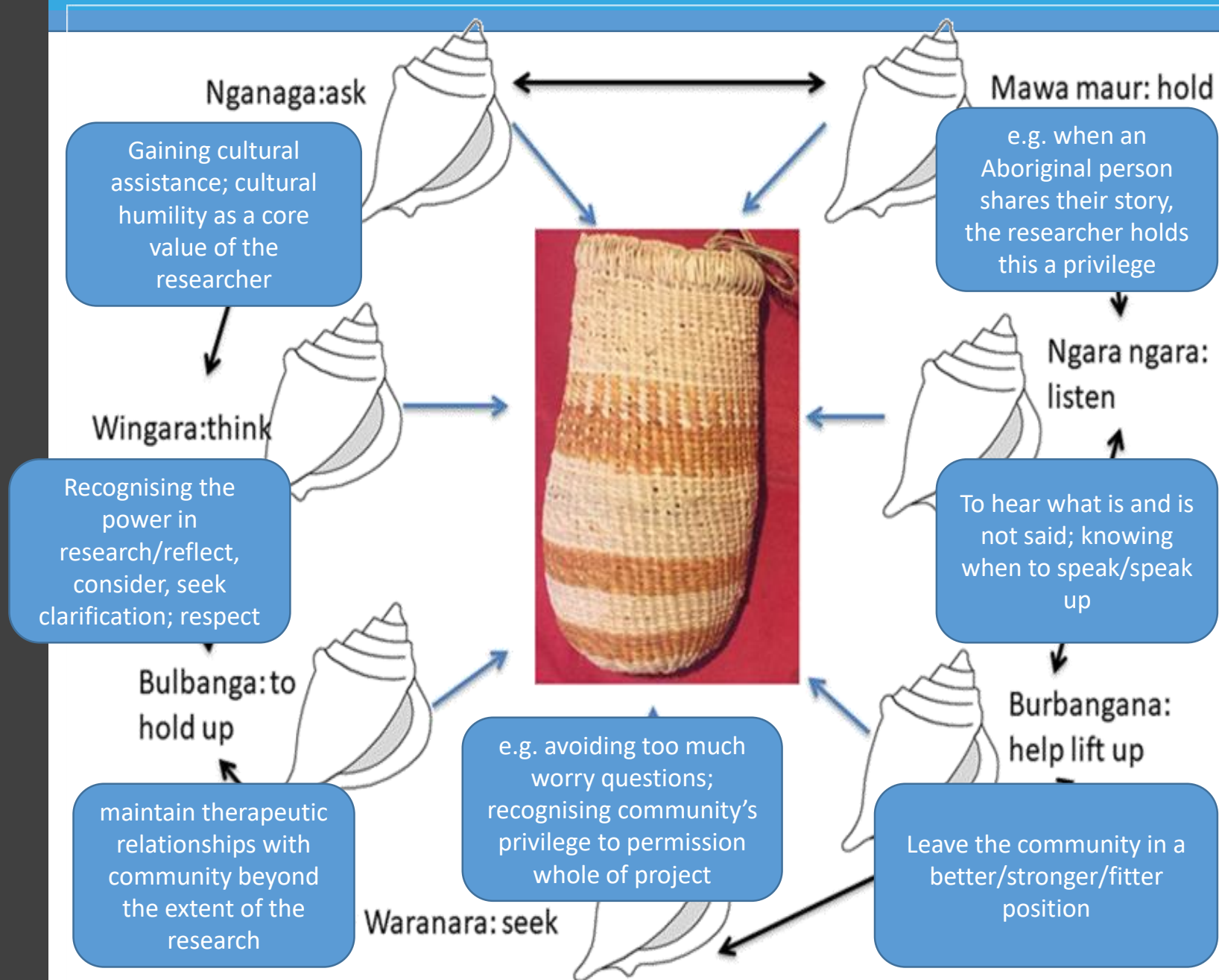
Applied Cultural Competency workshops for researchers:

2 hour workshops

Delivered across SPHERE partner organisations
(Liverpool, Parramatta, Campbelltown, Sydney)

Aunty Kerrie: Yerin Dilly Bag (2018)

1. Mawa Maur
 - Hold the shared information as sacred
2. Waranara
 - Actively look for a path
3. Ngara ngara
 - Listening in the silences
4. Nganaga
 - Cultural humility
5. Wingara
 - Understanding of power relationships
6. Burbangana
 - Sharing resources to strengthen the community
7. Bulbanga
 - On-going responsibly to the communities of research



KNOWLEDGE

SKILLS

ATTITUDES/BEHAVIOURS

Assess

Plan

Implement

Evaluate

Cultural Proficiency

1. Cultural Awareness

2. Cultural Knowledge

3. Cultural Sensitivity

4. Cultural Competency

Novice to expert status

Awareness of process of socialisation and acts as barrier to uncivil behaviours

Understands development of social identity and acts to ameliorate negative effects

Acts from social justice as a core value

Facilitates social justice

Self-reflection ladder

Health interventions

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The video!



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