



2024 NAATSIHWP National Conference

"Reaping the rewards of resilience"

NAATSIHWP Excellence Awards

Nominations are now open for the 2024 NAATSIHWP Excellence Awards!

NAATSIHWP Excellence Awards celebrate and acknowledge Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Health Workers and Health Practitioners who have made exceptional professional contributions to their communities and workplaces.

The Awards also acknowledge organisations committed to the creation of exemplary models of care that comprehensively engage Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Health Workers and Health Practitioners and provide support for their career pathways.

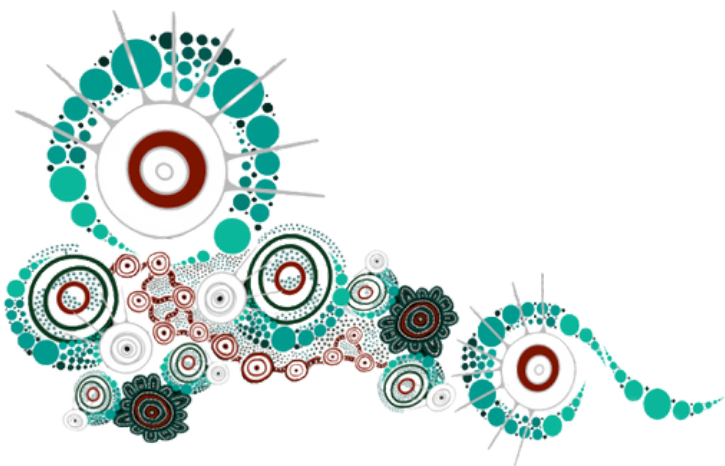
NAATSIHWP Excellence Awards are open to individuals and organisations who meet the category eligibility criteria outlined below.

The Excellence Awards will be judged by an independent panel of three (3) judges.

The five categories are:

- **NAATSIHWP Young Warrior**
- **NAATSIHWP Individual Champion**
- **NAATSIHWP Workforce Legend (or Respected Elder)**
- **NAATSIHWP Models of Care and Career Pathways Innovation**
- **NAATSIHWP Board Memorial Lifetime Achievement (Previously Lifetime Achievement Award, Nominated & Selected by the NAATSIHWP Board)**

NAATSIHWP Excellence Award winners will be announced at the **2024 NAATSIHWP Conference "Reaping the rewards of resilience" Gala Dinner** to be held at Perth Convention Centre on the night of the 3rd September 2024



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Recipients will join a cohort of eminent professionals who have made a significant difference to Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander communities and health outcomes.

Previous Excellence Award recipients:

NAATSIHWP Young Warrior

- 2014 Kale Moore
- 2016 Dorothea Budat Maymuru
- 2019 Esha Nona
- 2022 Jecinta Tatipata

NAATSIHWP Individual Champion

- 2014 Peter Pangquee
- 2016 Bukulatjpi Mariyalawuy
- 2019 Stevie-Lee Ryan
- 2022 Trumaine Rankmore

NAATSIHWP Workforce Legend (or Respected Elder) (Previously Health Worker Legend Award)

- 2014 James Brockman
- 2016 Patricia Lawford
- 2019 Georgie Taylor
- 2022 Aunty Karen West

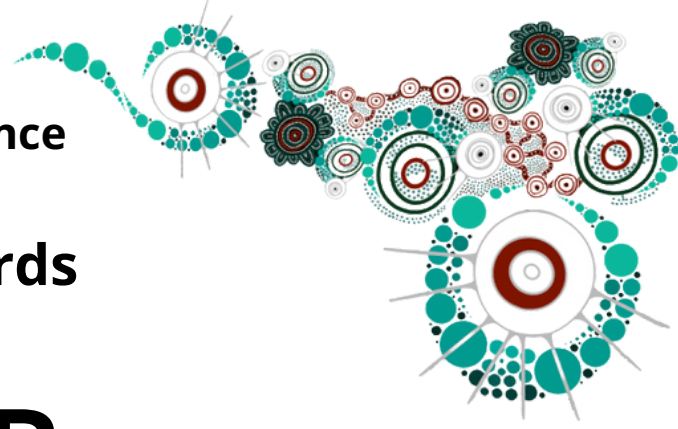
NAATSIHWP Models of Care and Career Pathways Innovation (Previously Health Service Legend Award)

- 2014 AMSANT (Aboriginal Medical Health Service Alliance Northern Territory)
- 2016 Tharawal Aboriginal Corporation
- 2022 Waminda South Coast Women's Health and Welfare Aboriginal Corporation

NAATSIHWP Board Memorial Lifetime Achievement (Previously Lifetime Achievement Award, Nominated & Selected by the NAATSIHWP Board)

- 2019 Dr Chelsea Bond & Janine Mohamed (shared)
- 2022 Prof Roianne West





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NAATSIHWP *Young Warrior*

The Young Warrior Excellence Award recognises a young Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Health Worker or Health Practitioner who is passionate, enthusiastic and committed to making a difference.

Eligible entrants:

- are a NAATSIHWP Member;
- are early career Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Health Workers and Health Practitioners with less than 3 years of experience working in a clinical or non-clinical role;
- have gained a Certificate II or higher qualification in Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Primary Health Care from the HLT Health Training Package to become an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Health Worker or Health Practitioner;
- have demonstrated standout leadership potential and a strong connection to their community with a heartfelt desire to make a difference to the health outcomes of their mob and community;
- demonstrate willingness and show capacity to further develop and take on future leadership opportunities; and
- have not previously won the award.



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NAATSIHWP *Individual Champion*

The NAATSIHWP Individual Champion Award recognises an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Health Worker or Health Practitioner who has been uniquely influential in the development and support of the profession.

Eligible entrants:

- are a NAATSIHWP Member;
- have obtained a qualification in Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Primary Health Care from the HLT Health Training Package or earlier training packages to become an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Health Worker or Health Practitioner;
- have achieved qualifications and higher order skills that enhance the role with a minimum of 3 + years' experience providing a proven impact in the role as an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Health Worker and Health Practitioner;
- are great advocates and supporters of the Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Health Worker and Health Practitioner profession through a variety of mechanisms;
- are involved in developing health programs that are evidence-based best practice models of care and lead to better health outcomes for "our mob";
- are professional leaders who demonstrate involvement in training and education to Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Health Workers and Health Practitioners;
- are involved in planning or undertaking research for evidence-based best practice models of care that provide opportunities for Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Health Workers and Health Practitioners to achieve better health outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities; and
- have not previously won the award.



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Workforce Legend

The NAATSIHWP Workforce Legend Award recognises and rewards highly experienced Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Health Workers and Health Practitioners who lead the way in caring for their people.

Eligible entrants:

- have over 30 years of experience, highly skilled and knowledgeable Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Health Workers and Health Practitioners who have worked tirelessly to achieve better outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples;
- demonstrate unique leadership capabilities having a positive and profound impact in health service access and delivery, including through the mentoring of others;
- advocate strongly for A&TSI Health Worker and Health Practitioner profession through a variety of mechanisms, either at local or state or national levels; and
- have not previously won the award.



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*Models of Care and Career
Pathways Innovation*

The Models of Care and Career Pathways Innovation Award recognises and rewards health organisations that develop and maintain exemplar models of care and career pathways that optimise the roles of their Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Health Workers and Health Practitioners employees in delivering exceptional primary health care to their communities.

Eligible entrants:

- can demonstrate innovation in the utilisation of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Health Workers and Health Practitioner roles in the delivery of culturally safe and responsive health care;
- can demonstrate commitment to career pathway development for Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Health Workers and Health Practitioners;
- provide access to high quality continuing professional development for Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Health Workers and Health Practitioners to maximise their skills, knowledge, culture and experience in the service's models of care;
- provide opportunities for promotion, career development and mentoring for Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Health Workers and Health Practitioners;
- can demonstrate that their exemplar models of care improve health outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities; and
- have not previously won the award.

