

SA IPEPA MONTH 2025

ACTIVITY REPORT

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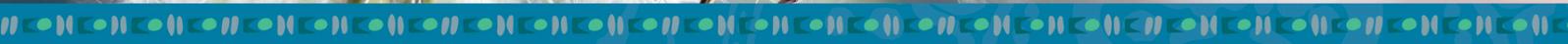


Carers SA
Australia



Aboriginal
Community Services

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BACKGROUND



South Australia celebrated its first SA IPEPA Month in April 2025 — a successful statewide initiative to raise awareness and increasing engagement about palliative care for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. Throughout the month, a diverse range of activities—including virtual events, workshops, relationship-building sessions, a hot topic webinar, and a wrap-up lunch—engaged communities and professionals across the state.

The Palliative Care SA PEPA and IPEPA team extends heartfelt thanks to our collaborative partners for IPEPA Month 2025:

- SA Health Palliative Care Connect
- The Commission on Excellence and Innovation in Health (CEIH) Palliative Care Clinical Network
- Carers SA
- Aboriginal Community Services

We also acknowledge the PEPA National Program Team at Queensland University of Technology (QUT) and the Australian Government Department of Health, Disability and Ageing, whose funding and support make PEPA and IPEPA possible.

SA IPEPA MONTH PROGRAM
April 2025

- 1 April** **Virtual IPEPA Month Launch**
A series of social messaging sharing links to relevant tools and resources
- 3 April** **WORKSHOP: Culturally-responsive palliative care for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples**
For health professionals. Living Kaurna Cultural Centre. 10:00am - 3:00pm (Free, In-person event)
- 9 April** **Australian Health InfoNet Adelaide Round Table**
Participated in this event
Hilton Adelaide
- 10 April** **Meeting: SA Palliative Care Clinical Network**
SA Health CEIH
Virtual. (Free, invite only)
- 16 April** **Hot Topic Webinar: Return to Country for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples**
For professionals working in the Health, community or social sector.
Virtual. 12:00noon - 1:00pm (FREE and Statewide)
- 23 April** **WORKSHOP: Palliative Approach to care for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health professionals**
For Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health professionals.
Living Kaurna Cultural Centre. 10:00am - 3:00pm (Free, In-person event)
- 30 April** **IPEPA Month Wrap Up Lunch**
Key Stakeholder event. Living Kaurna Cultural Centre. 12.00 - 1.30pm (Free, invite only)

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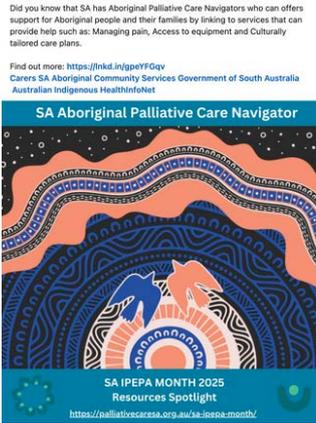
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AWARENESS RAISING



7 posts on Facebook and 6 posts on LinkedIn with posts spotlighting relevant resources, support services or national projects.



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SOCIAL
POSTS

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Impressions

RELATIONSHIPS BUILDING



SA IPEPA Month formally collaborated with five organisations including:

- Aboriginal Community Services
- Carers SA
- SA CEIH Palliative Care Clinical Network
- SA Health: Palliative Care Connect
- Palliative Care SA (IPEPA)

An additional four organisations in our activities during SA IPEPA Month 2025:

- We attended the **Australian Health InfoNet** Adelaide Round Table and participated in SA CEIH Palliative Care Clinical Network meeting (which featured Aboriginal Health as a core topic of their meeting this month)
- Aboriginal Community Services, **Royal Flying Doctors Services (RFDS)** and SA CEIH Palliative Care Clinical Network were our guest speakers for our Hot Topic Webinar
- **Country Outback Health (COBH)**, Australian Health InfoNet, Carers SA, SA CEIH Palliative Care Clinical Network and **Australian Government DOHAC** were all speakers at our Wrap Up Lunch



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ORGANISATIONS FORMALLY LINKED WITH SA IPEPA MONTH 2025

WORKSHOPS



10:00am - 3:00pm
FREE
For Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health professionals

PEPA Program of Experience in the Palliative Approach

PEPA Indigenous Program of Experience in the Palliative Approach

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Palliative Approach to care for Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Health Professionals
23 April 2025 - Living Kaurna Cultural Centre

Light lunch and refreshments provided
Registrations essential!

10:00am - 3:00pm
FREE
For non-Aboriginal health professionals

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Culturally-responsive palliative care for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples
3 April 2025 - Living Kaurna Cultural Centre

Light lunch and refreshments provided
Registrations essential!



In addition, a one day informal workshop was held with some team members from Aboriginal Community Services at Adelaide Elders Village. This was originally scheduled to be a Reverse IPEPA Placement.

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WORKSHOPS

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PARTICIPANTS

WEBINAR



FREE | Online | Statewide
1-Hour

Return to Country for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples

1-Hour Webinar FREE for SA Health Professionals

About the webinar

Your chance to hear from experts in this very important field.

They will share their knowledge and insights about this topic for people experiencing serious illness, dying, grief and caregiving.

Webinar topics

- What is important to know about this topic
- Experiences and lessons learnt
- What is working, what's not working and what can be done better
- Latest Resources, Evidence and Tools
- Top 'call to actions' for health, social and community professionals to engage in this space

Who can attend?

Health professionals who work or volunteer across the health, social and community sectors, including (but not limited to):

- Doctors, Nurses, Paramedics
- Allied Health staff
- Social Workers, Case Workers
- Academics, Educators
- Volunteer Managers/ Coordinators, Volunteers
- Administrative staff
- Spiritual Care Workers
- Community Development Workers & Managers

16 April 2025 | 12pm - 1pm (ACST)
REGISTER - then watch live or later*

<https://events.humanitix.com/hot-topic-webinar-return-to-country-for-aboriginal-and-torres-strait-islander-peoples> Or scan the QR code Or call (08) 8271 1643



*Webinar link will be emailed after live event, only for people who register.

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SPEAKERS

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WEBINAR VIEWS

EVENT



IPEPA Indigenous Program of Experience in the Palliative Approach



You are invited to the
SA IPEPA Month Wrap Up Lunch
Wednesday, 30th April 2025 | 12.00pm - 1.30pm
Living Kaurna Cultural Centre (Bedford Park)

We invite you to join us to celebrate the wrap up of the first SA IPEPA Month.

This is an opportunity to connect with others, listen to our guest speakers and learn about palliative care activities and resources focusing on SA Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

Guest Speakers include:

- **Caroline Holmstrom** Australian Government Department of Health and Aged Care Local Network
- **Paula Hunter and Sally Di Paolo** Palliative Care Connect Aboriginal Navigation
- **Vera Rankine and Cathy Cunningham** Carers SA
- **Darren Deves** Australian Indigenous HealthInfoNet - Palliative Care

Light lunch and networking: 12.00pm-12.45pm

Presentations: 12.45pm - 1.30pm

Please register individually via the link below.



RSVP Essential for catering purposes

Please register your attendance and dietary requirements by April 28th
<https://events.humanitix.com/ipepa-month-wrap-up-lunch-30-apr>
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NUMBER OF SPEAKERS

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