



## ABIOS Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Program Training and Education

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Research conducted by the Acquired Brain Injury Outreach Service (ABIOS) in partnership with two Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities in Far North Queensland identified the need for community-wide increased knowledge and understanding of brain injury.

This research resulted in the development of a service model that sees local health workers with brain injury knowledge as both the link between communities and mainstream health services, and a key support within communities for people with brain injury and their families.

Following on from this research and in conjunction with a southern Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community, ABIOS developed and trialled the Brain Injury Training Program.

This program aims to deliver brain injury education in the context of a community based rehabilitation model to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health workers, whilst establishing relationships and partnerships with and amongst program participants to facilitate ongoing support after training. The program aims to build capacity within communities by having a number of people trained. These people become a link within the community for people with brain injury and their families.

ABIOS can be contacted about the delivery of the training program and/or the use of the resources that the program contains.

ABIOS is very happy to discuss how to best meet your Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health workers and community needs.

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