

WHO'S WHO IN QUEENSLAND MULTICULTURAL COMMUNITIES

Peak body

- Most states in Australia have a state ethnic communities council as their state multicultural peak. The national peak is called the Federation of Ethnic Communities Councils of Australia (FECCA)
- In Queensland, the Ethnic Communities Council of Queensland is the state peak (www.eccq.com.au). There are also ethnic communities councils in Logan, Gold Coast and Sunshine Coast

① For contact details refer to the *Queensland Multicultural Resource Directory* under "Ethnic Community Councils"

http://www.multicultural.qld.gov.au/media/maq_resource_directory.pdf

Multicultural community workers

- Multicultural Affairs Queensland funds a Multicultural Community Worker Program
- There are 20 multicultural community workers located in community organisations throughout Queensland
- One of the aims of this program is to increase multicultural community participation in the government

① For contact details refer to the *Queensland Multicultural Resource Directory* under "MAQ Funded Workers – Community Workers"

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LAMP workers (Local Area Multicultural Partnerships workers)

- Multicultural Affairs Queensland funds this partnership with local government
- There are 15 LAMP workers located in local government/councils throughout Queensland
- The aim of the program is to foster positive and harmonious community relations within Queensland

① For contact details refer to the *Queensland Multicultural Resource Directory* under "MAQ Funded Workers – LAMP workers"

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Migrant service organisations

- These organisations are generally incorporated associations run by management committees. They have a variety of funding sources and staff
- Some are funded by the Department of Immigration & Multicultural Affairs to settle newly arrived refugees
- All these organisations have a primary focus on multicultural issues and therefore have very good links with multicultural communities

① For contact details refer to the *Queensland Multicultural Resource Directory* under "Migrant service organisations"

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Ethnic community & religious groups

- These grass-roots groups and associations form the largest part of Queensland's diverse community groups
- Most are ethno-specific but some are multicultural
- Each group only represents a segment of the ethnic community, not the whole community. Many are limited by religion, ethnicity, language, political affiliation etc.
- Some groups are highly organised and structured, whereas others are informal
- These groups are generally run by volunteers

① For contact details refer to the *Queensland Multicultural Resource Directory* under "Ethnic community & religious organisations"

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Multicultural media

Print

- There are many multicultural newsletters and newspapers
- Most are published in the language of the target community; some are published in English and the community language; and some are exclusively published in English
- Some commercially produced multicultural newspapers charge an advertisement fee but most would publish articles or news pieces of interest for no charge

① For contact details refer to the *Queensland Multicultural Resource Directory* under "Multicultural media"

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Radio

- There are several multicultural radio stations operating in Queensland
- Individual radio stations or coordinators of specific language programs can be contacted for announcements to be made or for interviews to be organised

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Ethnic schools

- Some ethnic communities have organised 'language schools' to help community members, particularly children, to retain language skills
- Many are organised and run by volunteers

① For contact details refer to the *Queensland Multicultural Resource Directory* under "Ethnic schools"

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Important web sites:

The Queensland Multicultural Resource Directory:

http://www.multicultural.qld.gov.au/media/maq_resource_directory.pdf

Queensland Health's multicultural web pages:

www.health.qld.gov.au/multicultural