

State Budget 2006/07 Information Sheet Indigenous Issues

WACOSS' Recommendation	Budget Outcomes	Comments
<p>Address Gaps in Alcohol and Drug Services for Indigenous People That the State Government resource new initiatives to meet identified service gaps in the alcohol and drug sector, including the potential development of an Aboriginal specific residential facility.</p>	<p>Specifically: "In line with the Western Australian Drug and Alcohol Strategy 2005-09 and its priority for Aboriginal people, dedicated beds and culturally secure programs will be established for Aboriginal patients in the Drug and Alcohol Office inpatient detoxification service and in non-government organisations' residential rehabilitation programs."</p>	
<p>Establish a National Representative Indigenous Body The Government commit to establishing a sustainable, independent national representative Indigenous body. This body should be responsible for representing the interests of Indigenous people, giving policy advice to Government and setting policy directions and priorities for Indigenous controlled services.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No specific budget allocation 	
<p>Mobile Health Units for Aboriginal People Establish a number of mobile health units for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples throughout metropolitan and regional areas, staffed by culturally aware community health workers.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No specific budget allocation 	
<p>Recreational Options for Aboriginal Youth Expand recreational options for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people, potentially with a number of community youth drop in centres.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No specific budget allocation 	