



Call for Abstracts
**International Network
of
Indigenous Health Knowledge and Development
(INIHKD)**



5th Biennial Conference

24 – 28 September 2012
University of Queensland (St Lucia Campus)
Brisbane AUSTRALIA

***BUILDING RESILIENCE:
Renewing Individuals, Families and Communities***

The INIHKD is an international assembly dedicated to improving the lives of Indigenous peoples globally through Indigenous and community-led research, health services and workforce development. It facilitates a framework for the exchange of ideas, models and experiences in three main categories:

1. Education, Training and Workforce
2. Health Services
3. Research

Activities such as this Conference, provide a forum to build capacity, stimulate research, and strengthen and expand the international knowledge translation system. The aim is to translate new knowledge from the research setting to real-world applications in order to provide more effective services, thereby improving the future for Indigenous people.

The International Network of Indigenous Health Knowledge and Development have the pleasure to invite submission of abstracts for the 5th Biennial INIHKD Conference 2012.

The theme for this Conference is ***BUILDING RESILIENCE; Renewing Individuals, Families and Communities***. The aim is to share knowledge that will lead to the development of sustainable solutions, creating the ability to recover readily from the health, education and socio-economic disparities experienced by Indigenous populations across the globe, leading to a better future for indigenous people.

Streams for abstract submissions include:

1. Using resilience to "Close the Gap": issues and solutions to closing the gap between Indigenous and non-Indigenous populations in all areas, including life expectancy, education and employment.

Question: *what successful models and approaches are being implemented that support a resilience based approach closing the gap on these disparities?*

2. Urban Resilience: current issues and solutions particular to the urban setting

Question: *What are the current issues that could utilise resilience to be resolved and are there solutions already delivering that outcome?*

3. Regional/Remote Resilience: current issues and solutions particular to regional/remote areas

Question: *What are the current issues that require resilience to be resolved and which solutions are delivering that outcome?*

4. Existing Resilience – what is currently working best for health, education, training and workforce

Question: *What methodologies and projects are successfully “building resilience” as a basis for providing solutions to the areas of health, education, training and workforce*

5. Resilience through Indigenous Cooperatives: Current relevance, new developments from, improvements required

Question: *How can Indigenous Cooperatives deliver resilience to the communities they support?*

6. Resilient Research: what are the priorities

Question: *How do we develop researchers to undertake theoretical or practical based research (or a combination of both) into resilience?*

7. Resilient Policies: which have worked, how do we establish more of them

Question: *Which policies provide a basis for resilience; how were they established and how do we establish more?*

Each stream has a question included to assist in focussing the content of papers presented at the Conference. Abstracts should be emailed to lynda.caldwell@hotmail.com.

The closing date for Abstracts is **2 APRIL 2012**