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## ACRRM and RACGP form Joint venture company: Joint Colleges Training Services

Overseeing joint AGPT training program services

ACRRM and the RACGP are pleased to announce the establishment of an incorporated joint venture company, Joint Colleges Training Services Pty Ltd (the Company), which will oversee joint AGPT training program services.

The Company will initially support AGPT activities, including:

- the development and delivery of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health strategic plans, including cultural education and cultural mentorship;
- the provision of registrar housing in remote Northern Territory;
- other potential areas of collaboration to be agreed between ACRRM and the RACGP.

The Company is owned 50-50 by the two colleges.

Funding for the Company will occur through ACRRM and the RACGP transferring all Commonwealth received funds that are designated for the development of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health strategic plans.

The Company will be overseen by a seven-person Board of Directors, with each of ACRRM and the RACGP having the right to nominate 3 members, and the colleges agreeing an independent Chair. Details of those directors will be shared in the near future.

The Board will appoint a General Manager to run the day-to-day activities of the Company.

The Company will directly employ all current RTO staff who are involved in the development and delivery of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health strategic plans, including cultural educators and cultural mentors. Those employment contracts will be offered in the near future, once we have received details of employees from the RTOs. The Company will also seek to assume contracts with Aboriginal Medical Services and others who also today supply cultural educators and cultural mentors to RTOs on a contract basis.

The Company will initially adopt the current strategic plans developed by each RTO and then look to develop an integrated, nationally consistent but locally-produced and delivered strategic plan in 2023.





We have the finalisation of the employment contracts and the contracts with AMSs as a priority and will move quickly to ensure that all people who are currently employed in cultural education and cultural mentorship have certainty about the security of their employment.

We commit to continuing to provide information on this joint venture as decisions are made.

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