

Development of a framework for the evaluation of policies, programs and services that aim to improve Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples' health and wellbeing.

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 To develop a framework to help guide future evaluation activities aimed at Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander policy, programs and services oriented towards health and well being.  To improve the extent to which evaluative activity benefits Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island people





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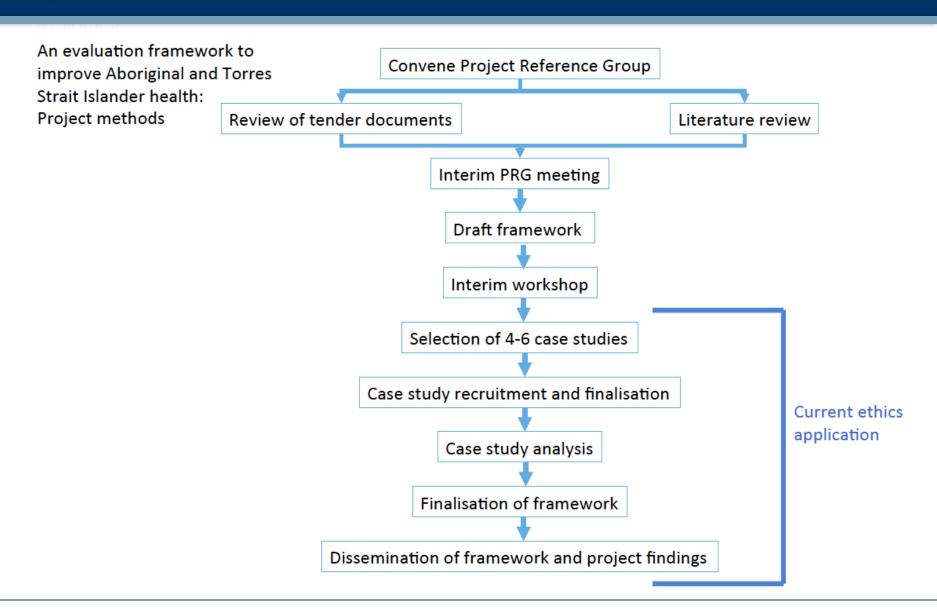
### Reporting

- Internal
- External
- Community

### Action

Program development

# **Methods**





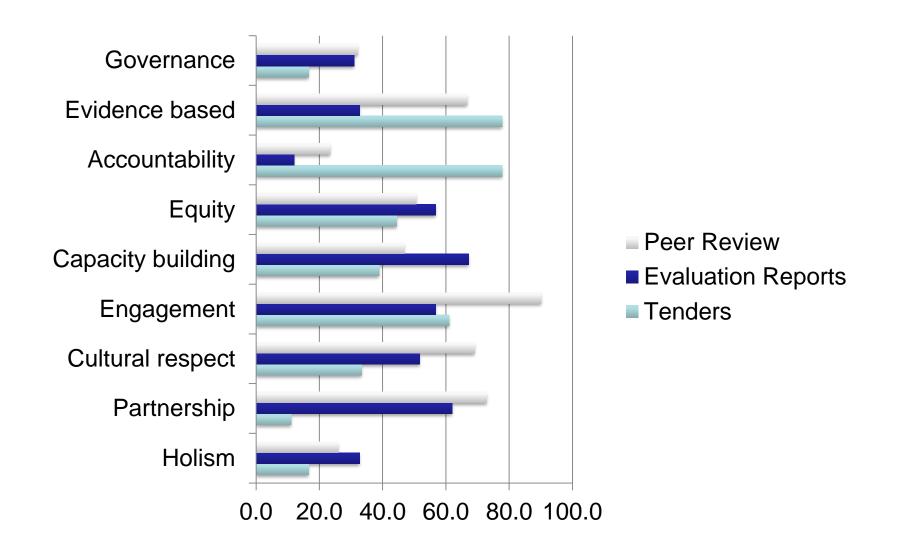
# **Key principles**

- What to evaluate
- How to evaluate



# What to evaluate

# Principles for working with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people



# Recommendations

 Evaluations of programs addressing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health and wellbeing should address government principles for working with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people (Framework part A)



# How to evaluate

## Translation for evaluation to action

 Only 5% of tenders and 30% of evaluation reports were publicly

available





- Evaluations follow programs
- Programs follow frameworks



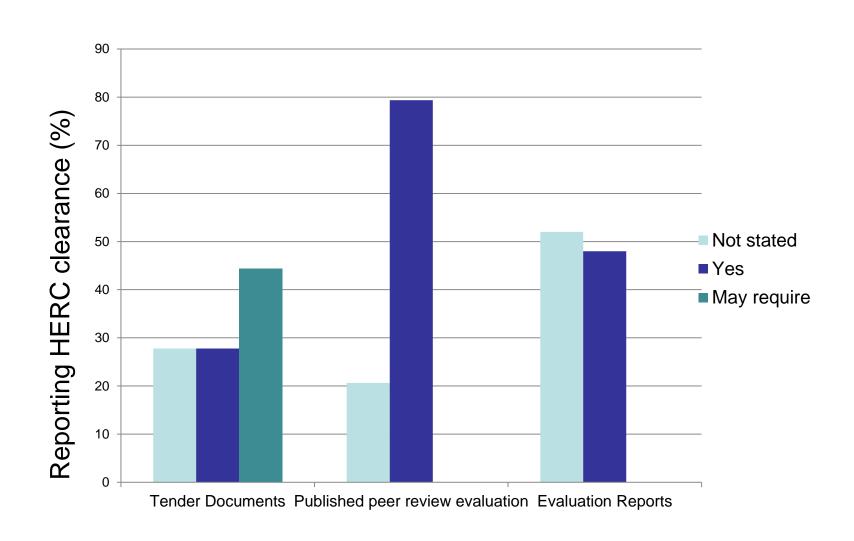
# **Aboriginal leadership and partnership**

# Performance framework

Program

Evaluation

# **Evaluation and ethics**





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# Recommendations

- Transparency and accountability around Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health evaluations should be improved
- Evaluations of programs addressing
   Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health
   and wellbeing should use ethical frameworks
   that recognise the responsibilities of all
   parties in evaluation and make optimal use of
   their capabilities to deliver health benefit
   (Framework Part B)

# **Case studies**

- Engaging Stakeholders in Identifying Priority Evidence- Practice Gaps and Strategies for Improvement (the ESP Project) (national)
- Heart Health cardiac rehabilitation program (Western Australia)
- Returning Home, Back to Community from Custodial Care Pilot program (national)
- Sentinel Sites Evaluation of the Indigenous Chronic Disease Package 2010–2014 (national)
- Stronger Communities for Children program (Northern Territory)
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# **Building the evidence base**

