



AHCWA
Aboriginal Health Council
of Western Australia

Our Commitment to COVID-19 Health and Safety Measures

The health and safety of all attendees at the 2021 WA Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Sector Conference is of the highest priority to the Aboriginal Health Council of Western Australia (AHCWA).

As part of our planning for the conference, we have stayed up to date with current WA Government and Department of Health advice and implemented procedures and policies to help keep you safe.

Some aspects of the conference may be a little different to what you have experienced in previous years. The below measures will be implemented at the 2021 conference:

- Attendance numbers capped to meet revised venue capacity, allowing a minimum of 2sqm per attendee;
- Shared spaces will be carefully managed to allow for physical distancing;
- Attendees will be encouraged and reminded to maintain hygiene standards, with hand sanitizing stations readily available and shared surfaces cleaned regularly;
- Staff will be trained to implement public health measures and identify risk;
- Maintaining attendance records of all attendees for the purposes of contact tracing. Anyone attending the conference must be registered;
- Designated and identifiable 'COVID Safety Marshals' will assist in maintaining adherence to the above health and safety measures;
- Adhering to the venues COVID-safe policies and procedures;
- Attendees reminded to avoid physical contact with others;
- Response planning, should an outbreak occur prior to, during or after the event; and
- Availability of Personal Protective Equipment.

Additionally, every attendee has a responsibility to ensure a COVID-safe event for themselves and others. On this basis, it is advised that:

- **If you are feeling unwell, do not attend the event. Seek immediate advice via the Coronavirus hotline 1800 020 080**
- Practice and maintain good hygiene by:
 - Washing your hands regularly with soap and water for at least 20 seconds and use an alcohol-based sanitizer;
 - Covering your mouth with a tissue or bent elbow when sneezing or coughing;
 - Avoiding touching your eyes, nose and mouth; and
 - Avoiding physical contact with others, including hugging and hand shaking. Use elbow bumps instead.
- Comply with directives from event and venue staff when asked;
- Be patient. In some circumstances, COVID-safe procedures may result in some things taking a little bit longer, such as registration or meal times; and
- Avoid bringing unregistered guests with you as they will be refused entry.

If you have further queries regarding our COVID Health and Safety Measures, please contact Hayley Warner, Events Coordinator at events@ahcwa.org.