Western Australia Overview

WA sites participating in the ABCD/One21seventy project are:
- Geraldton Regional Aboriginal Medical Service;
- Murchison Outreach Service, Mt Magnet;
- Yalgoo Health Service,
- Mawarnkarra Health Service Aboriginal Council; and
- Fitzroy Crossing Population Health Service.

The WA Steering Committee consists of representatives from all participating Health Services, Curtin University, Combined Universities Centre for Rural Health plus the WA Coordinator.

The WA Coordinator assists all Health services with their audit cycle by:
- Teaching new staff about the audit process using the One21seventy tools;
- Conducting auditing and data entry;
- Facilitating SAT, report interpretation, goal setting and action planning sessions.

Key contacts in Western Australia

Professor Sandra Thompson, State Project Leader

Professor Sandra Thompson is a public health physician with a career that has included clinical practice, laboratory and public health research, planning and policy development and program management. Professor Thompson is currently the Director of the Combined Universities Centre for Rural Health (CUCRH). Professor Thompson’s strategic position at CUCRH dovetails her commitment as Chair of Rural Health at The University of Western Australia and continues to advance research in Aboriginal Health. From a background in communicable disease control, she has been predominantly engaged in Indigenous health issues including the growing problem of prevention and management of chronic diseases. A robust combination of funding wins and published papers continue to stand as testament of Professor Thompson’s passion for the public health domain. It also celebrates the effectiveness of collaborations, extensive public health networks and interests in Aboriginal Health research.

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