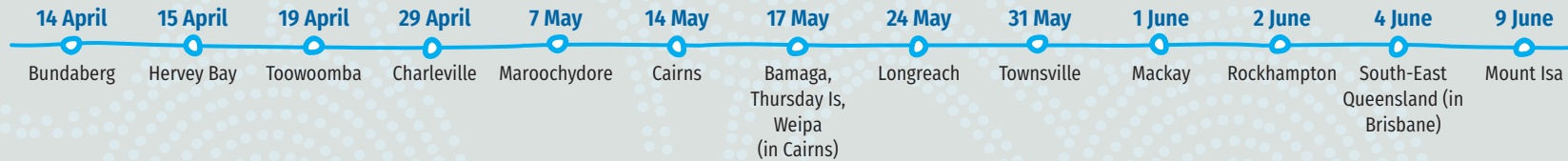


April to June 2021



450+
participants,
including
20 in Mt Isa

47
written
submissions

17
workshops

IDENTIFIED PRIORITIES

Mt Isa

TOP 3 PRIORITY REFORMS	PRINCIPLE 1: FIRST NATIONS LEADERSHIP	PRINCIPLE 2: LOCAL AND REGIONAL DECISION-MAKING	PRINCIPLE 3: REORIENTING LOCAL HEALTH SYSTEMS	PRINCIPLE 4: CULTURAL CAPABILITY	PRINCIPLE 5: SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH
<p>Increase Queensland Health's First Nations employment targets commensurate to local population or hospital presentation rates (which is greater).</p> <p>Establish regional coordination care hubs and integrated care pathways.</p> <p>Factor equity into existing Queensland Health funding models.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure community are engaged in the design and delivery of the new Health Equity Strategy. Value the skills, knowledge and experience of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health workforce. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sit around the table and yarn—NWHHS and Gidgee need to find a way to work together and address the 'us and them' mentality that exists. Share decision making about the allocation of State and Commonwealth funding—all health partners and providers need to deliver (and fund) services based on agreed identified regional priorities. Develop partnerships to ensure a seamless patient journey—NWHHS, Gidgee and TAIHS need to work together because of the patient journey across the region. Commit to creating 'one health system' with multiple points of entry and exit to ensure greater effectiveness. Use existing Tripartite agreement to develop the new Health Equity Strategy and identify other key stakeholders who need to become partners (PHN, JCU). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prioritise the delivery of Social and Emotional Wellbeing (SEWB) services and support. Need local level health data to understand the true picture of health and to inform service planning across the primary and hospital (acute care) sectors. Tailor marketing and communication campaigns for local community—no support is provided to tailor local messages for mob. Strengthen the patient journey between Mount Isa and Townsville. Improve the coordination of patient discharge information with a priority for Gulf communities. Design and invest in local 'Grow our Own' workforce strategies by creating education to employment pathways starting in schools. Prioritise health promotion, education and community engagement. Improve transport assistance and support provided to patients leaving country. Design health literacy programs and services for expecting mothers and families to achieve long-term health gains. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improve health literacy to ensure mob are well informed and feel comfortable to ask questions. Embed cultural safety across all areas of the health system. Change language and communication to not reinforce a negative narrative about community and mob. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Achieving health equity requires all sectors to work together to address the causal factors of ill-health and provide needed wrap-around support for patients. Lack of available housing directly impacts on workforce availability in remote areas.