

# Stakeholder update

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# **Project Approach**

A Better Culture is funded by the Commonwealth Department of Health and hosted by RACMA, but is a national, whole of profession project that will require engagement and support from all specialist medical colleges and from leadership of organisations that employ doctors. Recognising that doctors don't work in a vacuum, A Better Culture will engage not just with doctors, but with other health professionals who are key stakeholders, and hopefully, future partners. The project seeks to develop metrics and approaches that can be applied (with individual refinements) by all colleges, professions and workplaces.

### First 3 members of Advisory Board Appointed

Dr Helen Szoke AO has been appointed as Chair, Advisory Board to A Better Culture. Michael Gorton and Judy Finn have also been appointed as independent members. The remaining composition has been approved and letters of invitation to nominate for the remaining positions are currently with peak bodies.

#### **RACMA Quarterly takeover by ABC**

This special edition will launch on 15 September 2023 and copies will be emailed to all reference group members, specialist medical colleges, and to other stakeholder groups.

Our Artwork: The artwork by Ngarrindjeri artist Jordan Lovegrove represents the project's commitment to address the long-standing issues in the culture of healthcare. The Project is represented by the large central meeting place. It is surrounded by its key stakeholders (5 people symbols surrounding the meeting place). The inner patterned section represents healing. The smaller meeting places represents the different people and communities effected and helped by the project. The background is growing and expanding to show a positive change.





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## **Reference Group Update**

To date, we have 291 volunteers on our Reference Groups and we are so grateful for all their support. Reference Group Members now have access to a communications channel via Teams, which will allow ease of access to meetings, file storage and sharing, and help facilitate rich discussions.

We have taken on feedback, and expanded the groups to include the 14 below. The leadership & consumer groups are being populated separately, but we are still calling on more volunteers for the 12 groups below. If you know anyone who is interested, they can **click here to complete this brief enrolment form.** 

#### THE REFERENCE GROUPS

- l. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Reference Group
- 2. Culturally, Ethnically & Linguistically Diverse Reference Group
- 3. Disability & Neurodiversity Reference Group
- 4. International Graduate Reference Group
- 5. LGBTQI+ Reference Group
- 6. Non-hospital Setting Reference Group
- 7. Rural Reference Group
- 8. Senior Doctors/Healthcare Workers Reference Group
- 9. Students and Early Career (PGY 1 3) Reference Group
- 10. Supervisors & Educators Reference Group
- 11. Trainees Reference Group
- 12. Women in Healthcare Reference Group

#### www.abetterculture.org.au

Our website launched in mid August & will soon be updated with videos & articles about A Better Culture. Our socials are active & can be accessed with the link below. Please Follow, Like, and Share. Together we can build A Better Culture.



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"I hope for intersectional equity to permeate the way we work, how we interact with one another and how we shape the future of healthcare."