

Today we launched Our Ways Strong Together

Today marks an important milestone for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander family, domestic and sexual violence services.

We are proud to launch **Our Ways Strong Together** — a new national peak body that brings together community-controlled organisations working across crisis response, prevention, behaviour change, healing and support.

The organisation was officially launched today at Parliament House in Canberra.

This moment is the result of years of advocacy from our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women, communities, peaks and services. It was co-designed with the sector in a process led by the Coalition of Peaks.

Our sector now has a **national, integrated body** dedicated to strengthening our collective voice and ensuring frontline services play a stronger role in shaping national responses to family, domestic and sexual violence.

We invite services across the country to join us and be part of building a stronger, more connected sector.

Membership is now open — and free — to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community-controlled organisations.



Our community-controlled organisations know what works — Our Ways Strong Together is here to back them, connect them, and make sure their voices are heard at the national level.

Our vision is: All Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples throughout Australia are culturally safe, strong, empowered, living free from violence.

You can follow along our journey and see highlights on our social channels @ourwaysau. We'd love to connect.



A message from our interim chair



Built by community

Our Ways Strong Together is a new community-controlled Peak Body that represents a range of ACCOs delivering family, domestic and sexual violence services across the country.

It has been shaped by the sector — grounded in the knowledge, experience and leadership of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander services across the country.

You can read more about this work in the stakeholder engagement summary [here](#).

Join us

Membership is free and open now.

By joining, you will be part of a national network working together to strengthen the sector and support our communities.

[Become a member](#)

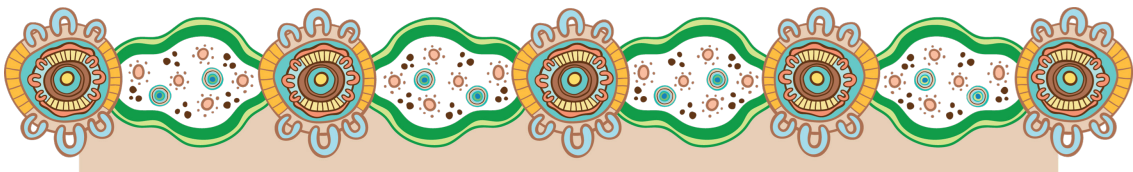
Thank you to all the organisations, leaders and communities who have contributed to this moment.

This is just the beginning.

These are Our Ways, and we are Strong Together.

Regards,

Olga Havnen, CEO, Our Ways Strong Together



Acknowledgement of Country

Our Ways Strong Together, acknowledges Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people as the Traditional Owners of Country throughout Australia and their continuing connections to land, waters, cultures and communities. We pay our respects to Elders both past and present.

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