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TAHRG Collaboration, our journey into Indigenous Eye Health

Acknowledgement to Country



Introductions

- Emma Robertson
- Marc Hicks



About our journey.

- What were we doing in the eye health space?



Karadi Aboriginal Corporation

On the road.



Indigenous Eye Health Conference
Melbourne 2018

The more the merrier.



2019 Indigenous Eye Health
Conference
Alice Springs



Tassie Represent!



Marc at the road map discussion in Melbourne



Emma at the Parliamentary Dinner in Canberra

Lets make it a team approach.



The TAHRG (Tasmanian Aboriginal Health Reference Group) Collaboration is a project consisting of 5 Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisations -

- Karadi Aboriginal Corporation
- South East Tasmania Aboriginal Corporation (SETAC)
- Circular Head Aboriginal Corporation (CHAC)
- Flinders Island Aboriginal Association (FIAAI)
- Cape Barren Island Aboriginal Association (CBIAA).

Voila! Then this little beauty arrived...



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Where to from here?

- Successes
- Issues
- Recommendations



GREAT NEWS!!

The Government agreed!

In total the TAHRG
Collaboration now has 4 retinal
cameras operating across the
state, including Flinders & Cape
Barren Islands.



Patient good news stories

- Through having the retinal camera we have been able to detect and refer on for treatment:
- Severe to moderate Hypertension
- Macula degeneration
- Early stages of diabetic retinopathy that will now be closely monitored.
- Freckles.
- Cataracts.

What we have done so far..

- Check out our video.
- <https://gopro.com/v/Jbp1qE2bRG0v4>

Resources





DO YOU HAVE DIABETES?

LET'S LOOK AT YOUR EYES...



We can take a picture with our eye camera. Come in and see how!



Everyone with diabetes should have an eye exam at least every year.



Let's prevent blindness, together!



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Pamphlets and Banners





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Thank you

Thank you to everyone who has helped support us on this journey, this is just the beginning and not the destination. There is still plenty of work to do in this space but we are fortunate enough to have some amazing people that continue to drive this forward.

