



# Chronic Conditions Program

## What is the Chronic Conditions Program about?

The goal of the program is to reduce the impact of chronic conditions in Indigenous communities by improving chronic conditions prevention, early detection and management services and strategies.

The Cooperative Research Centre for Aboriginal Health (CRAH) has already developed a comprehensive body of knowledge around chronic conditions; this program aims to provide further evidence to policy makers and service providers by bringing together that knowledge, building on it and sharing it in ways that better informs policy and practice.

The CRAH is doing this by working with communities, health care professionals, health service organisations, governments and researchers, on outcome-focused research that supports better health for individuals and communities.

## A holistic and integrated approach to health

The Chronic Conditions program will focus on diabetes, cardiovascular and renal disease but takes a holistic approach to health and is closely linked to other CRAH research programs.

The program will use an integrated approach to bring together community, industry and research stakeholders to share of ideas, questions, skills and resources; to incorporate research transfer activities and; support capacity development at the community level, as well as among the workforce and in the research world.

## Making sure research makes a difference

CRAH research is committed to research that is going to make a real difference to the health of Aboriginal people. We involve governments, health services and communities to make sure the research is directed towards priorities identified by Aboriginal people and industry partners, and that is going to deliver solutions they can use.

There is a Chronic Conditions network of interested researchers and practitioners where you can get more information and become actively involved in achieving the program outcomes.

