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Healing Our Spirit 2010 – Call for Abstracts

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Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health workers and researchers are advised to start planning now for Healing Our Spirit Worldwide The Sixth Gathering, which is due to take place on the island of Honolulu in Hawaii from 3 to 10 September 2010.

The goal of Healing Our Spirit Worldwide (HOSW) is to celebrate the diverse and unique cultural strengths, knowledge and talents of Indigenous peoples around the world, with a particular focus on successes, best practices and common issues in health, healing and addictions.

The Cooperative Research Centre for Aboriginal Health is a proud supporter of and committed participant in the gathering, which will be hosted by native Hawaiian healthcare organisation Papa Ola Lōkahi (www.papaolalokahi.org).

Event organisers are now accepting abstracts, presentations and proposals for the sharing of cultural practices and performing arts. These need to be submitted **by 8 September 2009** via the link on the home page of the HOSW website (www.hosw.com).

The CRCAH also recommends that all those interested in attending or preparing material for the gathering should subscribe to mailing lists **on both** the HOSW and CRCAH websites. This will allow interested parties to be updated about HOSW on a regular basis via email.

To subscribe to the HOSW mailing list, visit www.hosw.com and click on 'Mailing List' on the sidebar.

To subscribe to the CRCAH mailing list, visit www.crcah.org.au, click on the 'Events' tab, click on 'Healing Our Spirits' then click on 'subscribe' in the body text.

We will forward information regarding travel arrangements to our mailing list subscribers as it comes to hand.

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