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**THE LONG WALK WOMEN'S LUNCHEON 2010**

The luncheon took place on Friday 8 October at the Peninsula, Docklands, in Melbourne. Special guests included Her Excellency Ms Quentin Bryce AC Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, Sue Long and Kathy Rioli from The Long family and Ngarra Murray, Emerging Leader Fellowship for Indigenous Leadership. The Lowitja Institute's Chief Executive, Dr Kerry Arabena, delivered the Keynote Address in her capacity as the Inaugural Co-Chair of the National Congress of Australia's First Peoples. A summary of Dr Arabena's address will be included in the next edition of this Bulletin and the full text of the speech will be uploaded onto the Lowitja Institute's website.

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**DR CHARLES PERKINS AO MEMORIAL ORATION AND MEMORIAL PRIZE 2010**

The oration will take place on 28 October 2010, at the Great Hall, The University of Sydney, 6.00–8.30pm. Keynote Speaker will be Dr Kerry

Arabena, Co-Chair, National Executive National Congress of Australia's First Peoples and Chief Executive of the Lowitja Institute. The topic will be *Vetting, Vehicles and Vision: The National Congress of Australia's First Peoples*. To attend, please RSVP by Friday 15 October. To register: <sydney.edu.au/koor>. Enquiries: Events Office, Alumni Relations, E: <alumni.rsvp@sydney.edu.au>, T: +61 2 9036 9278.

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**Dr Charles Perkins AO Memorial Oration:** In 2001, the University of Sydney, in collaboration with the Koori Centre, launched an annual oration by a leading spokesperson within the field of Indigenous and non-Indigenous race relations. The Dr Charles Perkins AO Memorial Oration was established with the full support of the Perkins family and in acknowledgement of his tireless dedication to human rights and social justice for Indigenous Australians.

**Dr Charles Perkins AO Memorial Prize:** This prize was established in 2000 by the Koori Centre. It commemorates the life-long achievements of Dr Perkins, the first Indigenous Australian graduate of the University of Sydney. With the support of all Faculties of the University, the Charlie Perkins Trust for Children & Students, and the Koori Centre, there are now three prizes awarded to Indigenous Australian students who have completed a Bachelor or Honours degree and have achieved outstanding results during their studies.

(text: The University of Sydney)

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## CONFERENCES

Please see our **and REMINDERS** section for upcoming conference for the remainder of the year.

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## JOBS

**Expressions of interest (Health Professionals, Researchers, PhD students),** Poche Centre for Indigenous Health, Sydney Medical School. The Poche Centre for Indigenous Health was established within Sydney Medical School in 2008.

The Centre aims to develop Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health leadership in clinical and public health practice, academia and research. They are now seeking expressions of interest in the areas: clinical services, research and education of health and medical students. To express your interest in joining the Poche Centre, now or in the future, please visit:

<<http://usyd.nga.net.au/cp/index.cfm>>. General enquiries to Nichol Hildebrand, E: <nichol.hildebrand@sydney.edu.au>.

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National Indigenous Health Equality Council (NIHEC) would like to engage a suitable organisation to fulfill a number of administrative duties associated with organising and managing NIHEC's meetings, associated forums, and Member's NIHEC business activities. For more details contact Paulina Henderson, T: 02

6289 1080, E: <Paulina.Henderson@health.gov.au>. Closing date 15 October.  
For more information:  
<<http://www.health.gov.au/internet/main/publishing.nsf/Content/1000365>>.

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## PUBLICATIONS

**Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities forgotten in new Australian National Action Plan for Human Influenza Pandemic: “Ask us, listen to us, share with us” (Editorial)**, A. Miller & D. N. Durrheim on behalf of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community Influenza Study Group 2010, *Medical Journal of Australia*, vol. 193 (6): 316–7.

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**Health equity and sustainability: Extending the work of the Commission on the Social Determinants of Health**, F. Baum & M. Fisher 2010, *Critical Public Health*, vol. 20(3): 311–22.

<<http://www.informaworld.com/smpp/content~db=all~content=a926301285~frm=titlelink>>.

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**Dictionary of Anatomy – *Dh̄aruk mala ga mayali' rumbalpu***. This dictionary translates medical and anatomical terms from English into Yolngu Matha, the main language used in east Arnhem Land. It also includes full colour graphics and examples of related pathology. For more information:

<[http://www.ards.com.au/publications/dictionary\\_anatomy.htm](http://www.ards.com.au/publications/dictionary_anatomy.htm)>.

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**Trends in Maternal Mortality: 1990 to 2008. Estimates developed by WHO, UNICEF, UNFPA and The World Bank, September 2010:**

<<http://bit.ly/9BOq95>>.

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### Through APO:

**Native Title and Taxation Reform**, J. Altman 2010, Centre for Aboriginal Economic Policy Research (CAEPR). This paper argues that the Australian Government's consultation paper 'Native Title, Indigenous Economic Development and Tax', canvassed many options for taxation reforms but barely addressed Indigenous economic development:

<<http://www.apo.org.au/research/native-title-and-taxation-reform>>.

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**Trends in the health of mothers and babies, Northern Territory: 1986–2005**, X. Zhang 2010, Department of Health and Families. This report provides a detailed overview of perinatal trends and changes to the health profile of NT resident mothers and babies, for both Indigenous and non-Indigenous, across the 20-year period from 1986 to 2005. <<http://www.apo.org.au/research/trends-health-mothers-and-babies-northern-territory-1986-2005>>.

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**Waterborne diseases among Aboriginal people**, P. Morton, G. Barlow & R. Bailie 2010, New South Wales Public Health Bulletin, vol. 21 No. 8. Because they have not enjoyed the same access to water and sewerage services as the rest of the population, Aboriginal people in many communities in New South Wales risk poorer health: <<http://www.apo.org.au/research/waterborne-diseases-among-aboriginal-people>>.

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**Australian Social Trends, September 2010**, Australian Bureau of Statistics 2010. Papers in this issue are: Parental divorce or death during childhood; Holidays abroad; New Zealanders in Australia; Indigenous wellbeing across remoteness areas and Older people and the labour market.  
<<http://www.apo.org.au/research/australian-social-trends-sep-2010>>

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## RESOURCES AND WEBSITES

**The Lowitja Institute website is being constantly updated. Check it out at <[www.lowitja.org.au](http://www.lowitja.org.au)>.**

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Indigenous Research and Evaluation Summit ( September 2010) presentations are available at:  
<[http://nace.samhsa.gov/Headlines/ire\\_presentation\\_files.aspx](http://nace.samhsa.gov/Headlines/ire_presentation_files.aspx)>.

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**Australia's Health 2010 Conference.** The AIHW has made presentations from the Australia's health 2010 conference held in June 2010 available for download: <<http://www.aihw.gov.au/eventsdiary/ah10/presentations.cfm>>.

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Australian Indigenous Cancer Survivors Forum – Survivorship DVDs from the Indigenous Cancer Survivors Forum held in May 2010:  
<http://www.m247consulting.com/forum.html>.

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## SCHOLARSHIPS, AWARDS, FUNDING, GRANTS & TENDERS

**Grants to work in collaborative projects with Canada.** The Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) Partnership Grants provide support for new and existing formal partnerships over four to seven years. Partnerships must advance research and/or knowledge mobilisation in the social sciences and humanities through mutual co-operation and sharing of intellectual leadership, as well as through resources as evidenced by cash and/or in-kind contributions. While SSHRC is a humanities-based Council, funding will be provided to multi-disciplinary projects, based on priority areas, including Aboriginal Research. For more information on the Priority Areas: <[http://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/programmes-programmes/partnership\\_grants-bourses\\_partenariat-eng.aspx](http://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/programmes-programmes/partnership_grants-bourses_partenariat-eng.aspx)>. The competition budget is approximately \$28 million over seven years. For further information, please visit <

financement/programs-programmes/partnership\_grants-bourses\_partenariat-eng.aspx#3>.

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**Australian Rotary Health PhD Scholarships for work on Depression, Diabetes and Indigenous health.** Australian Rotary Health has channelled more than \$24 million in Australian research projects over its 29-year history, with an emphasis on community health. Its objectives are to provide financial support for research projects conducted in Australia that have the potential to enhance the health of the community; to stimulate research activities within Australia by facilitating communication between participants in specified fields; and to support specific research fields for a minimum of three years. For more information on the Australian Rotary Health/Geoff Bailey PhD Scholarship investigating Indigenous health: <<http://www.australianrotaryhealth.org.au/getdoc/0f675df5-6040-40e0-9bb1-5ebae7a8483f/2010-GEOFF-BAILEY-INDIGENOUS-SCHOLARSHIP.aspx>>.

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**Australian Research Council (ARC) Linkage.** *Linkage Projects* supports research and development projects that are collaborative between higher education researchers and other parts of the national innovation system, which are undertaken to acquire new knowledge, and which involve risk or innovation. Proposals for funding under *Linkage Projects* must involve a Partner Organisation from outside the higher education sector. The Partner Organisation must make a significant contribution in cash and/or in kind, to the project that is equal to, or greater than, the ARC funding. Under the *Linkage Projects* scheme, the ARC provides opportunities for postgraduate and postdoctoral researchers to engage in industry-oriented research training and enables postdoctoral researchers to pursue internationally competitive research opportunities in collaboration with industry. Closing date for round 2 is 17 November 2010: <[http://www.arc.gov.au/ncgp/lp/lp\\_default.htm](http://www.arc.gov.au/ncgp/lp/lp_default.htm)>.

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## **SEMINARS, COURSES AND SYMPOSIA**

**Australian Studies and Aboriginal Studies programs at the David Unaipon College of Indigenous Education and Research, University of South Australia.** For more information, visit their website at <<http://www.unisa.edu.au/ducier/default.asp>>.

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**Youth Futures Symposium**, in Darwin, 21–22 October, at Charles Darwin University, Conference Room. Youth Futures is a two day health symposium which aims to share current research in youth health, workshop future plans and discuss how research can link with the delivery of youth health services. It will involve and inform a variety of stakeholders in youth health, including service providers, researchers and service users. Presenters are Dr Kate Senior, Dr Jacqueline Boyle & guest presenters including ; Professor Robert Power from the Burnett Institute; Professor George Patton from the Centre for Adolescent Health;

Associate Professor Victoria Burbank from University of Western Australia. For more information: <<http://www.menzies.edu.au/education-and-training/short-courses/workshops>>.

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**Current Issues in Tropical Health short course**, in Darwin, 16–19 November, Menzies Seminar Room, Royal Darwin Hospital campus. Participants will be introduced to key public health issues in the tropics and develop an understanding of major diseases including Malaria, Tuberculosis and HIV global epidemiology and control strategies. For more information and to register: <<http://www.menzies.edu.au/education-and-training/short-courses/workshops>>.

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## and REMINDERS

**Evidence Based Healthcare Conference ‘Show the Impact’**, Adelaide, 27–29 October 2010: <<http://www.alloccasionsgroup.com/EBHC2010>>.

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**14th Pacific Rim College of Psychiatrists Scientific Meeting**, in Brisbane, 28–30 October 2010: <<http://www.anznmh.asn.au/PRCP10/Default.asp>>.

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**PHCRED WA Research Conference Primary Health Care Research, Partnerships in Practice**, Perth, 12 November 2010: <<http://www.phcredwa.org.au>>.

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**The Inaugural National Indigenous Policy and Dialogue Conference**, in Sydney, 18–19 November: <<http://nipdc.arts.unsw.edu.au/>>.

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**Health and Wellness Conference 2011**, University of California Berkeley, 20–22 January: <<http://healthandsociety.com/Conference-2011/>>.

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**Australasian Professional Society on Alcohol and other Drugs 2010 Conference**, Canberra, 28 November–1 December. Conference draft program <<http://www.apsadconference.com.au/program/program/>> is now available. Registration <<http://www.apsadconference.com.au/registration/>> is also open with early bird closing Friday 24 September.

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**‘Advancing Child and Family Policy Through Research’ Conference**, Canberra, 31 January–1 February 2011. The conference is jointly organised by the Research School of Economics, Australian National University, and the Center for Human Potential and Public Policy, University of Chicago. More information at: <<http://publicpolicy.anu.edu.au/events/other.php>>.

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**11th National Rural Health Conference**, Perth, 13–16 March 2011: <<http://www.ruralhealth.org.au>>.

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**Australian Health Promotion Association 20<sup>th</sup> National Conference**, Cairns, 10–13 April 2011. The focus of the conference will be on the determinants of health: <[www.healthpromotion.org.au](http://www.healthpromotion.org.au)>. Conference coordinators, T: 02 6292 9000, E: <[ahpa@confco.com.au](mailto:ahpa@confco.com.au)>.

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**2011 Primary Health Care Research Conference**, Brisbane, 13–15 July 2011: <<http://www.phcris.org.au/conference>>.

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