



## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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## Hunter Primary Care celebrates National Reconciliation Week through stories

Hunter Primary Care will mark the importance of 2018 National Reconciliation Week by sharing stories and celebrating history with local Indigenous Elders.

Hunter Primary Care CEO, Brenda Ryan, said that Aunty June Rose and Uncle Glenn Yarnold had been invited to speak to staff about their communities, culture and experiences this Thursday, in keeping with the 2018 National Reconciliation Week theme, "Don't Keep History a Mystery".

"National Reconciliation Week is a time for all of us to reflect and celebrate the rich and important history of our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples," she said.

"Hunter Primary Care recognises the importance of Australia's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and is committed to reconciliation. Our Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) Working Group consists of a group of Hunter Primary Care staff from all different backgrounds, who guide the organisation to provide culturally appropriate services and a culturally safe workplace.

"Our Aboriginal Outreach team and other staff work closely with Indigenous members of our Hunter community to provide vital health and wellbeing services including *Yudhilidin* – a recovery-orientated care coordination service; Care Coordination for those living with a chronic illness and cultural appropriate psychology and mental health services."

National Reconciliation Week takes place from May 27 to June 3, and commemorates two significant milestones in the reconciliation journey – the successful 1967 referendum and the High Court Mabo decision respectively. During this event, Australians are encouraged to learn about our shared histories, cultures, and achievements, and to explore how each of us can contribute to achieving reconciliation in Australia.

Find out more at hunterprimarycare.com.au

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