

WORKPLAN – ELEMENT 3 - Increase access to and use of maternal and child health services by Indigenous families (*New Directions – an equal start in life for Indigenous children*)

Summary

Plan period:	Element	Category	Per annum	Four years
2009-2014	3	Child and Family Services	\$625,000	\$2,500,000

Element 3.1: Child Health and Parenting Services

Plan period: 2009-2014

Child Health and Parenting Services

Milestone (eg. General Primary Health Care Services)	What are we trying to do? (Aim)	Who will do it? (Roles and responsibilities)	How are we going to do it? (Strategies)	How will we know how we are going? (Measures)	How long will it take? (Timeframe)	What is the estimated cost? (\$)
Service Delivery	Improve the health and wellbeing outcomes of Indigenous Families and Children	Child Health and Parenting Services (CHAPS) within the Department of Health and Human Services; and the following contracted services: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ the Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre; and ▪ community Gateway Services 	Through a range of Child Health and Parenting Services to the Aboriginal Community: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Provision of Child Health and Parenting Services to the Aboriginal Community ▪ Provision of multi-purpose parent and child group sessions (including those targeted at vulnerable parents) to promote health and wellbeing outcomes ▪ Development of culturally appropriate service models for proposed new services ▪ Increase access and participation of Aboriginal young women to the teenage pregnancy home visiting 	A range of measures will be used to assess the proportion of the Aboriginal community accessing services; and the effectiveness of those services	Ongoing programs	\$625,000 per annum. Total of \$2,500,000 over four years

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Management	Ensuring Aboriginal children and their families have access to the range of services	As above	Provide client centred, timely and relevant information using a variety of mediums	As above	As above	
Linkages and Coordination	To build awareness and recognition within the Aboriginal community of the importance of the early years; family functioning; and parenting skills	As above	Communication strategy	As above	As above	
Community Involvement	A variety of strategies to engage the community	As above	By enhancing social networks	As above	As above	
Risk Management	Minimise the risk of not adequately engaging with Tasmania's indigenous population	As above	Risk Management Strategy	Ongoing monitoring	Ongoing	

Workplan – Jan – June 2010

Activity commenced	Category	Service	Reporting measures
Jan-June 2010	Child Health and Parenting Services within the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)	Provision of Child Health and Parenting Services to the Aboriginal Community	A range of measures will be used to assess the proportion of the Aboriginal community accessing services in a number of age cohorts
Jan-June 2010	Services provided by the Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre (TAC) – Family Support Program	Provision of multi-purpose parent and child group sessions (including those targeted at vulnerable parents) to promote health and wellbeing outcomes	Reporting through the TAC's contractual reporting requirements
Jan-June 2010	Family Support through government funded community sector organisations as part of the reform process	Development of culturally appropriate service models for proposed new services	Measures to be developed
Jan-June 2010	cu@home	Increase access and participation of Aboriginal young women to the teenage pregnancy home visiting program	A range of measures will be used to assess the proportion of the Aboriginal community accessing services