

**Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Special Interest Group  
Workshop and Annual General Meeting**

*Advocacy for Action: Keeping Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health on  
the National Health Reform Agenda*

**PHAA Annual Conference SIG workshop, Sunday 26 September 2010 1-4pm  
Adelaide Convention Centre**

*The National Health Reforms have not been clear on how new structures will be accountable for  
improving Aboriginal health and supporting self-determination.  
Now is the time to ADVOCATE to influence reform decisions.*

**Workshop purpose:**

- To develop an action plan to advocate for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health to be a key priority in the National Health Reforms, and ensure accountability at all levels.
- To increase the skills of participants in health advocacy.

**Facilitator:** Michael Moore, CEO, Public Health Association of Australia

**Speakers:**

**Selwyn Button** CEO, Queensland Aboriginal and Islander Health Council  
**Kathy Malera Bandjolan** Editor, Aboriginal and Islander Health Worker Journal  
**Melissa Sweet** Journalist and moderator for *Croakey*, the health blog of *Crikey*

The format of the workshop will include:

- Presentations by each of the speakers with audience participation
- The identification of key actions in the areas of: advocacy in Aboriginal public health and health research, advocacy through government; and advocacy through the media.
- These actions will be developed into key tasks for the coming year to drive the SIGs advocacy in 2011.

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THE DAY \$10 sig member / \$12 non-members. please email prior to the workshop  
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