

Vice President (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander)

Role:

The Vice President (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) has an overall role in facilitating the development of the Association's policies to address several national policy issues relevant to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and communities. Activities included in this portfolio may include:

- working with the CEO and Senior Policy Officers at PHAA's National Office, on the development and delivery of the Association's policies, Position Statements, Submissions and advocacy actions relevant to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and communities
- leading work on the First Nations Collective
- interaction with the Branch Presidents and Special Interest Groups on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people matters
- representation of PHAA on liaising with government and stakeholders (when required)
- Continued participation on the Close the Gap (CTG) people's movement campaign
- aid and support with the responses to important public health submissions to make sure they include the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people issues and perspective
- continued support for the Redfern Statement
- support in responding to important inquiries and calls for submissions from government and stakeholders regarding Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people issues
- Continue the development of PHAA's Reconciliation Action Plan.

Administrative Responsibilities:

The Administrative activities of the Vice President (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) may include:

- The Vice President (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) is responsible for ensuring that policy development and advocacy undertaken by or with the involvement of SIGs and Branches, include the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people issues and perspective, and PHAA's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander terminology guide.
- Engaging where relevant in submissions e.g.:
 - the Council of Australian Government's Closing the Gap Refresh and its discussion paper.
 - the National Health and Medical Research Council's Road Map 3 - Strategic Framework for Improving Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health through research and
 - Cancer Council's Optimal care pathways for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people with cancer.
- The Vice President (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander), the CEO and Policy Officers work closely on the policy development, the policy renewal process and on the development and implementation of advocacy plans and strategies.
- The Vice President (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) takes the role of media contact regarding Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people issues. The Vice President (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) must also be able to represent the PHAA at any occasion agreed with the President.