



WANNA KNOW

ENGAGING WITH US IN RESEARCH

We understand the valuable role research can play in improving the health and wellbeing of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people, families and communities. *Wanna Know* is our in-house research program where we develop and conduct our own research within our organisation and for our community. We are also often approached to assist researchers in engaging with young people and to partner on research projects, for this reason we have created this information sheet to assist researchers who are interested in working with us.

All research conducted with Deadly Inspiring Youth Doing Good (DIYDG) must align with our strategic direction and be accountable, culturally safe and relevant to our community.

WE VALUE RESEARCH THAT

- ☒ Is Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander led or directed and privileges the voices, needs, and strengths of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander young people and their families, honouring their culture, kinship and knowledge systems.
- ☒ Addresses systemic inequities, promotes social justice, and empowers Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander young people to advocate for positive change in their communities.
- ☒ Includes young people and/or community members as collaborators (rather than subjects) that can co-design research projects with tangible benefits to our community and organisation (research that gives back rather than takes).
- ☒ Builds the capacity of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people and/or community members, to lead and/or effectively engage in research and research related activities.
- ☒ Research that uses innovative ways of knowledge translation relevant to young people.
- ☒ Research that respects data sovereignty and our right to own, control, and govern data that pertains to our community



CURRENT RESEARCH PARTNERSHIPS

Mayi Kuwayu (ANU)
Integrated Atlas (CQU)
Navigating the carceral interface (JCU)

OUR RESEARCH PRIORITIES

Aboriginal and
Torres Strait
Islander
Evaluation and
IT Tools

Youth
Empowerment
and Leadership
Research

Culture
Community
Connection in
Wellbeing

Child Safety
Research

All Researchers seeking to partner with DIYDG should be aware of the following requirements:

Ethics Approval: Researchers must obtain ethics approval from their respective institutions or ethical review boards before commencing any research activities with our organisation. Also please refer to the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) Guidelines for research involving Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and communities. (insert link)

Cultural Protocols: Researchers are expected to adhere to cultural protocols and seek guidance from us regarding appropriate research practices and protocols. Researchers must prioritize the cultural safety and well-being of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people throughout the research process, ensuring that research activities are conducted in a respectful, non-intrusive, and empowering manner.

Data Sovereignty: Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander communities have the right to own, control, and govern the data that pertains to them. We have the authority to determine how our data is collected, accessed, used, and shared. We reserve right to remove data from our organisation if we believe that it is being used to cause harm to our community.

Publications: All publications that include DIYDG data must be discussed with and co-written with relevant DIYDG staff.

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

All research enquiries can be made by clicking on the statement that best describes the research activity you are interested in. You will then be taken to an online form where you can complete an expression of interest.

I would like to find young people to
contribute to our Advisory
Board/Governance Committee

I need to find Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait
Islander young people to complete surveys

I would like to hire an Aboriginal and/or
Torres Strait Islander facilitator to lead a
focus group

I would like to partner with DIYDG on a
research project



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RESEARCH OUR WAY

BE INSPIRED
BE EQUIPPED
BE EMPOWERED

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