

## CERTIFICATE IV YOUTH WORK CHC40413

The NSW Department of Education's Aboriginal Education and Communities Directorate are working in partnership with TAFE NSW to offer a Certificate IV Youth Work course to Aboriginal community members in Connected Communities locations and surrounding communities.



### Connected Communities locations are:

Boggabilla	Moree
Bourke	Taree
Brewarrina	Toomelah
Coonamble	Walgett
Tamworth (Hillvue Public School)	Wilcannia
Menindee	

### Course Description

The course will provide an opportunity for Aboriginal community members to develop skills and understandings in youth work.

The course is being offered in two parts:

- 1. Introduction to Youth Work:** to start with, TAFE NSW will run an Introduction to Youth Work course over five weeks from the week starting 7 November 2016, to give people a chance to learn what the full course is all about, and to see whether they want to continue. There will be videoconferences twice a week, then an assessment task they can do in the final week at their local school. Participants can get credits from the Introduction to Youth Work course towards a Certificate IV in Youth Work.

- 2. CHC40413 Certificate IV in Youth Work:** This starts in Term 1 2017 and is a one year course. Participants will learn about workplace health and safety, teamwork, communication, mental health, community development, advocacy, cultural diversity, crisis management and how to identify young people at risk.

### Course delivery

Both the Introduction to Youth Work course and the Certificate IV Youth Work course are being delivered by TAFE NSW, Dubbo campus. The course will be delivered via videoconferencing and some face-to-face study in Dubbo.

### Course fees

There is no cost to participants. Course fees and meal, travel and accommodation costs associated with face to face study in Dubbo will be subsidised by the NSW Government. All costs are covered by *Away from Base*, a NSW Government initiative.

### How to apply

Please complete the expression of interest form and return it to [connected.communities@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:connected.communities@det.nsw.edu.au) by Tuesday 1 November 2016.

### Further information

If you require more information please either:

- email [connected.communities@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:connected.communities@det.nsw.edu.au) OR
- call the course teacher at TAFE NSW on 02 6885 7556

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## Questions and Answers

### **Q1** Are there any costs for participants in either the Introduction to Youth Work or the Certificate IV course?

No. Course fees, travel and accommodation are covered by Away from Base, a NSW Government initiative. The training is subsidised by the NSW Government.

### **Q2** How do I get *Away from Base* funding?

To be eligible for *Away From Base* funding you only need to have an ABSTUDY (or CRN) number. This does not mean you have to receive a payment from Centrelink – just that you are eligible.

### **Q3** If I do the Introduction to Youth Work course can I get credits towards Certificate IV?

Yes. In the Introduction to Youth Work course you will study two units – Community Development and Working Effectively with Aboriginal People. So, while the Introduction to Youth Work course will be a guide for you about what study and commitment is required for the Certificate IV, you will also get credits for those two units.

### **Q4** What prior learning or prior knowledge/experience requirements for either course?

There are no prior learning requirements because this training is for anyone in the Aboriginal community who wants to develop skills in youth work.

### **Q5** How will the course be delivered?

Most of the course will be delivered by video conferencing (at your local school), workbooks and individual phone follow up where applicable by teachers. There will be a small amount of face to face teaching in Dubbo. Your costs for travel, meals and accommodation are covered.

### **Q6** If we are having difficulties with this course will there be any help for students?

There is tutorial support, student support services, counselling and online help with assessments as well as career counselling and a student engagement officer to assist.

### **Q7** How do I apply for the Introduction to Youth Work?

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If you have questions please ring Connected Communities on 02 9244 5638.

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Expressions of Interest close on Tuesday 1 November 2016.

Name

Address

Contact number

Email address

Interests

What do you hope to achieve from doing the course?

I would like to do the Introduction to Youth Work Course (Term 4, 2016)

I would like to do the Certificate IV in Youth Work Course ( 2017)