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Participant Information Sheet

WA Ombudsman Aboriginal Engagement: Protected Entertainment Precincts (PEP) Scheme

Yarning Circles

Dr Vickie Hovane of Tjallara Consulting Pty Ltd has been engaged by the Ombudsman's office to help with engaging local Aboriginal community stakeholders.

We are providing a face-to-face and an online yarning circle for you to be involved in providing input.

What is the project about?

We are inviting Aboriginal people to discuss the Protected Entertainment Precincts (**PEP**) scheme and its impacts on Aboriginal people.

The PEP scheme is established in Part 5AA of the *Liquor Control Act 1988* (WA) (**the Act**). It creates 3 categories of exclusions [Short-term Exclusion Orders, Extended Exclusion Orders, Excluded Offenders] that can apply to people who have behaved in a particular way, banning them from entering all 5 prescribed PEP areas [Fremantle, Hillarys, Mandurah, Perth and Northbridge, and Scarborough].

Yarning Circles

9am Wednesday 21 January 2026

Online yarning circle. Teams link to be provided.

9am Thursday 22 January 2026

Venue: Derbarl Yerrigan Health Service, East Perth, Board Room.

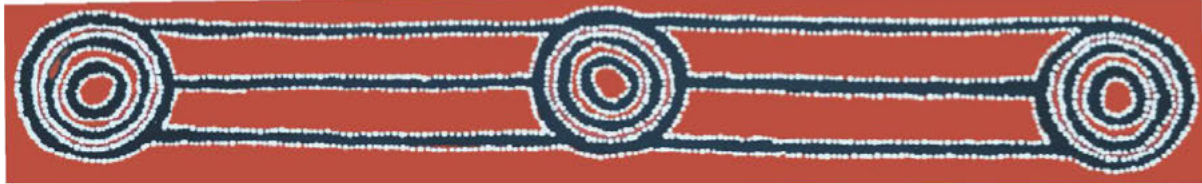
How will this project help me or others?

Participating in the yarning circle gives you an opportunity to tell the Ombudsman about the real-life experiences of Aboriginal people affected by the PEP scheme. This will ensure local Aboriginal people's experiences inform the Ombudsman's review, report and any recommendations to Parliament about the PEP scheme and its impacts on local Aboriginal people, their families and communities.

The questions we would like to yarn with you about are:

- (a) the impact of the PEP scheme on Aboriginal people from the lived experiences of those who have received an order;
- (b) the impact of the PEP scheme on the Aboriginal communities' sense of community safety in the PEP areas; and
- (c) some of the complex underlying factors contributing to hardship and impact, from an Aboriginal perspective.

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Will the project have any risks?

Discussing the questions mentioned in the yarning circle may make you feel uncomfortable or upset. The facilitator will try to provide for a safe environment for the discussion.

If you do feel uneasy or upset, you will be given the opportunity to leave, take a break, or talk to someone.

Participants can also contact:

13 Yarn: 13 92 76 (24 hours) to talk to an Aboriginal and or Torres Strait Islander Crisis Supporter
Lifeline (24hrs): 13 11 14

What will happen to my information?

Your participation is confidential. We will not tell people that you participated in the project or share anything you have said without your permission. However, if you provide details about illegal activities, we may be required by law to report it to the relevant authorities. We will remind all participants of this at the time these activities are conducted and will ask participants to consider what details they choose to share.

With your permission, we may audio-record and transcribe your contributions so that we have an accurate record of what you have said. The audio-recordings will be deleted, and the transcripts will be securely stored for 7 years (as required by research standards) but will not include your name or other identifying details.

The information you share during the project may be used in the Ombudsman's report and we will not publish anything that can identify you. Your information will be combined with all the responses from your yarning circle, unless you ask for your information to be removed before the Ombudsman's report is published.

In collecting your information, the project must follow the Privacy Act 1988.

The knowledge and information that you contribute is owned by you and will remain your intellectual property.

What happens after the project?

The Ombudsman's office will provide you with a copy of the Report and any recommendations contained in it, if you would like.

Can I withdraw from the project?

Participation is completely voluntary and you can change your mind at any time for any reason. You can withdraw and let us know if you would like the information you have already shared to be deleted before the results are published.

What if I have a question or concern?

If you are worried about how the project is being conducted, or if you have questions about your rights as a participant, please contact:

Vickie Hovane,

[Redacted contact information]