

**“We are here
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Australia.
Let’s support
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yarning through
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In June 2003, at a meeting in Adelaide, a group of positive brothers and sisters formalised an HIV peer support network, directed at Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

This initiative gave birth to PATSIN, (the Positive Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Network). Later that year, PATSIN became an associate member of NAPWHA, (the National Association of People with HIV Australia).

Uniquely, PATSIN consists entirely of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people living with HIV. The group of ten active members meets in collaborative discussion both face-to-face and by teleconference throughout the year.

PATSIN addresses issues identifying best practice in health promotion and the encouragement and promotion of safe sex, safe needle use, HIV testing and early treatment.

PATSIN provides the opportunity for HIV positive Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to advocate for change at a national level. It also gives members the opportunity to network across their diverse communities, providing confidential and culturally appropriate peer support and referral to other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people with HIV.

USEFUL LINKS

BlaQ Aboriginal Corporation (BlaQ)
blaq.org.au/

National Aboriginal Community
Controlled Health Organisation
(NACCHO)
naccho.org.au

National Association of People with
HIV Australia (NAPWHA)
napwha.org.au

Health Equity Matters
healthequitymatters.org.au

The HIV/AIDS Legal Centre (HALC)
halc.org.au

National Aboriginal and Islander
Day Observance Committee
naidoc.org.au

Do you...

- *Need another sister who is positive to talk to?*
- *Need another brother who is positive to yarn with?*
- *Need confidential non-judgmental free calls*

Gay
Bisexual
Straight
Adult Elder
Sistagirl
Transgender
MSM
Young People
Urban
Remote
Regional

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