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### **TARGETED COVID-19 SUPPORT FOR ABORIGINAL COMMUNITIES**

The COVID-19 Aboriginal Community Response Program has opened today.

Quick response grants of up to \$10,000 are available for Aboriginal community organisations and groups to meet the immediate health and wellbeing needs of Aboriginal people across the state as part of Aboriginal Affairs NSW's COVID-19 response strategy.

Minister for Aboriginal Affairs Don Harwin said the grants would help to provide Aboriginal communities with targeted COVID-19 information and assistance from trusted services.

“These quick response grants will help communities access local, culturally appropriate services so they are informed and supported to take actions like staying at home to reduce community transmission,” he said.

“Aboriginal communities are particularly vulnerable to COVID-19, and these grants will enable Aboriginal services to support people already impacted by COVID-19 as well as taking preventative steps such as encouraging vaccination.”

Applications for the COVID-19 Aboriginal Community Response Program are now open via [www.aboriginalaffairs.nsw.gov.au/grants/covid-19-aboriginal-community-response-grants-program](http://www.aboriginalaffairs.nsw.gov.au/grants/covid-19-aboriginal-community-response-grants-program)

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