

Yarn Up, what's that?

On once a **month** FWT+DP Inc. is providing an opportunity for Aboriginal workers to connect with an Elder & other Aboriginal workers to discuss **cultural issues** in a **confidential environment**. Workers already going to **Yarn Up Sessions** say it is a great place to talk about **work challenges**, to **share ideas & information** and to get support from other **Aboriginal workers** that helps them in their ongoing work with **Aboriginal community**.



What existing members enjoy about Yarn Up:

Aboriginal space run by and for Aboriginal workers

Support by a local Elder

Aboriginal specific training, formal and informal (sometimes we will have a full day training session and sometimes we have guest speakers at Yarn Up)

Shared experiences mean better support

About the Artists

FWT+DP would like to acknowledge and give a very special thank you to the very talented artists for allowing us to use their artwork for our brochures, flyers and other printing requirements.

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SHARING OUR STORIES ARTWORK:

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Other designs are from clipart (Microsoft)

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YARN UP SESSIONS

*Cultural Support for
Aboriginal Workers .*

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Group Facilitator

Aunty Beverley Eaton

Aunty Beverley is an Indigenous woman whose people come from Coonabarabran. She has over 20 years experience in the Community Sector and is an active committee member at Blue Mountains Aboriginal Culture and Resource Centre. For the past 5 years Aunty Bev has also been travelling around NSW running training for workers in the community sector as a private consultant as well as providing supervision and support services to Aboriginal workers from both community & Government agencies.

New members of Yarn Up can expect:

A place where being Aboriginal is valued, and being an Aboriginal worker is appreciated

Contact with local Elder with experience in community services

Aboriginal Workers Only Space

Relaxed environment in Aboriginal friendly venues, Yarn Up is a gathering, not a meeting, where workers appreciate the informal discussion free of documentation

Cultural support and a safe space to talk about the challenges and joys of working in community

Shared experiences and shared understanding

Ideas and resources to take back to their work roles as they choose

Opportunity to learn from other workers experiences and share your own knowledge

Opportunity to discuss ideas on new training needs

Talk and find out about cultural issues that are important to workers communities and families

GOOD FOOD (we provide lunch)

History: Yarn up started in April 2006 in recognition of the need for Aboriginal specific space for workers to discuss work related issues and share support and resources.

Sharing Our Stories



Yarn Up has also given Aboriginal workers a voice to request topics regarding their training needs. As well as make suggestions on where training might be helpful in mainstream services to best support Aboriginal families and community.