



## ANU Medical School

### Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Declaration

#### Cover Sheet

Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Admission is for applicants who:

- Are of Australian Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander descent and
- Identify as an Australian Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander and
- Are accepted as such by the community/ies in which they have been or are associated with.

#### 1. Applicant Details

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ UAC/GAMSAT ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Tel: \_\_\_\_\_

#### 2. Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander

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|--------------------------------------------------|-----|----|
| (a) Do you identify as an Australian Aboriginal? | YES | NO |
| (b) Do you identify as a Torres Strait Islander? | YES | NO |

*Please attach confirmation of your Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander descent. Please refer to the attached policy which defines what supporting evidence is accepted.*

#### 3. Community

What name does your community refer to you as? \_\_\_\_\_

- (a) Which community/ies do you belong to or are associated with and where is this community located?
- \_\_\_\_\_

I declare that the information on this form is correct and true.

Applicant Signature

Date

## Confirmation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Identity ANU Medical School Policy

### 1. Purpose of Policy

- a. This policy sets out the evidence and procedures required for an individual to establish that they are an Aboriginal and or Torres Strait Islander person. Our definition of an Aboriginal and or Torres Strait Islander person is based on the definition commonly known as the [Commonwealth Definition](#).

### 2. Scope of Policy

- a. This policy will be used by the ANU Medical School when assessing the eligibility of Aboriginal and or Torres Strait Islander applicants into our programs.

### 3. Establishing Aboriginal and or Torres Strait Islander status

- a. A person may confirm Aboriginal and or Torres Strait Islander identity through:
  - i. A letter stamped with the common seal and signed by a delegate of an incorporated Aboriginal and or Torres Strait Islander organisation.
  - ii. A letter stamped with the common seal and signed by the chairperson of an Aboriginal and or Torres Strait Islander Land Council, in whose area the person lives or has previously lived:  
or
- b. Where such a letter is not available, a person's Aboriginal and or Torres Strait Islander identity may be confirmed by a statutory declaration from the individual, declaring:
  - i. That they are of Aboriginal and or Torres Strait Islander descent
  - ii. That they identify as an Aboriginal and or Torres Strait Islander
  - iii. That they are accepted as such by the community in which they live, or previously lived; and
  - iv. The reasons why a supporting letter as noted in point 3a is not available
- c. The individual is responsible for providing evidence of their own Aboriginal and or Torres Strait Islander identity.

### 4. Confirmation and Approval Process

- a. Once an applicant has provided their documented evidence it will be viewed and approved by a panel consisting of at least one Aboriginal staff member of the Medical School and one member of the Medical School Admissions Unit.
- b. If the documentation is deemed insufficient the Admissions office will:
  - i. Contact the applicant and seek additional evidence
- c. If the applicant is unable to provide the required evidence they will not be eligible for this pathway or an identified scholarship. The decision of the panel is final.