

RAP Update

March to September 2024

Relationships <

National Reconciliation Week, 27 May to 3 June

Hosted a morning tea, which took the form of a panel discussion with Caroline Martin, a direct descendant of the Briggs family and Custodian of Boonwurrung Country, VACCHO and a member of the Aboriginal Consumer Advisory Group.

The RAP Working Group attended several online events.

RAP launch, 23 July

The RAP was launched at the BreastScreen Coordination Unit.

Caroline Martin opened the launch with BreastScreen Victoria's revised Acknowledgement of Country.

Our CEO, Rita Butera, reflected on BreastScreen Victoria's vision for reconciliation and how the actions under the RAP pillars of Relationships, Respect, Opportunities and Governance demonstrates how we will progress towards a breast screening program that embodies cultural sensitivity and compassion.

BreastScreen Victoria's commitment to Reconciliation

The RAP is hosted on the Reconciliation Australia and [BreastScreen Victoria](#) websites.

Our CEO, Rita Butera, shares BreastScreen Victoria's commitment to reconciliation, *'Our Reconciliation Actions Plan serves as a roadmap to embed reconciliation principles across our organisation, ensuring First Nations perspectives are celebrated and represented in all our work.'*

> Respect

Acknowledgement of Country

The Acknowledgement of Country was revised to be more aligned to BreastScreen Victoria's vision for reconciliation.

The Acknowledgement was endorsed by the Board and is delivered at the start of meetings, is displayed on organisational templates and plaques at the BreastScreen Coordination Unit.

NAIDOC Week, 7-14 July

Staff were supported to participate in several events for NAIDOC Week:

- Annual Flag raising ceremony, marking the beginning of NAIDOC Week
- Aboriginal Heritage Walk, Royal Botanic Gardens
- Bunjilaka Aboriginal Cultural Centre, Melbourne Museum

Display of the RAP artwork

The RAP artwork, titled Regenerating our Wellbeing, is displayed on canvas at the BreastScreen Coordination Unit and as framed pieces at Burgundy Street Clinic and the Mobile Screening Service.

The artwork was developed by Kedeasha Jackson who is Wemba Wemba, Ngayampaa and Wiradjuri and selected by a panel of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women.

> Governance

Annual RAP Impact Measurement Questionnaire

Submitted the RAP Impact Measurement Questionnaire to Reconciliation Australia, a requirement for all RAP organisations.

The questionnaire demonstrates how National Reconciliation Week was observed and the support for the RAP at Executive and leadership levels.