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Aboriginal Health and Medical Research Council of NSW Human Research Ethics Committee Announces Second Inaugural Forum

The Aboriginal Health and Medical Research Council of NSW Human Research Ethics Committee (AH&MRC HREC) is proud to celebrate its 27th year by hosting the second inaugural forum. This event is set to take place on June 25th, 2024, on Gadigal country at Novotel Brighton Le Sands.

Last year, the event reached full capacity and sold out three weeks in advance, with a waitlist in place. To accommodate the high demand, AH&MRC HREC has expanded the venue and increased the number of seats available to ensure everyone has the opportunity to attend.

The forum is designed to provide a platform for academics, affiliated health professionals, and community groups to gain insights into the significance of Aboriginal ethics, the requirements for approvals and processes, as well as the governance structures in place. This year's theme, "Empowering Innovations with Data and Technology," focuses on the ongoing growth of Data Sovereignty, Genomics, and Technological Innovation.

Speakers Include:

- Odette Pearson: A Kuku Yalanji/Torres Strait Islander person and Associate Professor at the South Australian Health and Medical Research Institute. Odette's research is centered on Aboriginal health equity and governance by Aboriginal communities.
- Michael Larkin: As Senior Lecturer in Indigenous Health at the University of Adelaide Medical School, Michael brings extensive experience from the State Government health sector and the Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Sector. He currently serves as Co-Chair of the SA Aboriginal Health Research Ethics Committee (AHREC).
- Greg Pratt: A Quandamooka man and Principal Research Fellow at Central Queensland University. With over 20 years of experience, Greg specializes in translating research for clinical benefits. His leadership in stakeholder engagement and policy development has significantly shaped Indigenous preferences in genomic research.

Don't miss out on this unique opportunity! Secure your ticket now and take advantage of our early bird pricing, offering a massive discount of \$80 per attendee. Tables of 10 are also available for booking.

For more information and to register, visit <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/the-ahmrc-ethics-forum-evolving-innovations-in-data-and-technology-tickets-870798681297?aff=oddtcreator>

About AH&MRC:

The Aboriginal Health and Medical Research Council (AH&MRC) assists Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Services (ACCHSs) across NSW to ensure they have access to an adequately resourced and skilled workforce to provide high-quality health care services for Aboriginal communities.