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## Interim CEO appointment at AH&MRC: Nicole Turner

The Aboriginal Health & Medical Research Council of New South Wales (AH&MRC) is pleased to announce the appointment of proud Kamilaroi woman, Nicole Turner, as its interim Chief Executive Officer.

Nicole's appointment is critical to the AH&MRC advancing its governance, implementing strong and effective processes to work in partnership with the Board, member organisations and communities across the state, and ultimately fulfilling its leadership role in Aboriginal health and education in New South Wales.

Nicole brings a wealth of experience and knowledge, a deep commitment to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health and wellbeing, and strong personal and professional networks to the role. Nicole has over thirty years of experience in the health sector, including clinical, non-clinical and leadership roles in Aboriginal health, education, training, and workforce development, and has distinguished herself as one of Australia's leading Aboriginal community nutritionists, an Adjunct Professor and published researcher, having previously served on the AH&MRC research ethics committee.

AH&MRC Chairperson, Jamie Newman, said "Nicole is a real leader across our sector and brings her experience and skills in relationship building, her knowledge of the Aboriginal Community Controlled sector, and her vast understanding of governance and leadership to our organisation. We are very excited to have her on board over this transitional period as we work toward greater stability".

"Working with member organisations, AH&MRC staff and the Board is important to ensure we enact our self-determination in the advancement of our focus areas as the NSW Aboriginal health sector peak body and the strategic direction we're setting. I'm looking forward to the challenges and achievements ahead working together, with and for our communities," said Nicole Turner.

AH&MRC eagerly anticipates the positive influence Nicole will undoubtedly yield in her new role as interim CEO, furthering the vision, innovation, and initiatives for which AH&MRC is renowned.

**About AH&MRC:**

The Aboriginal Health and Medical Research Council (AH&MRC) supports Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Services (ACCHSs) to be sustainable and driving holistic and culturally strong approaches to redressing health inequities for Aboriginal peoples in NSW.