

Melbourne Poche Centre for Indigenous Health

18th of October 2023

Dear Associate Professor Shawana Andrews,

Re: Letter of support for Lorelle Holland's application to the Melbourne Poche Centre for Indigenous Health Leadership Program 2024.

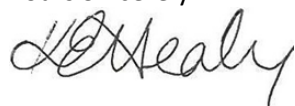
I would like to support Lorelle's application to participate in the Indigenous Health Leadership Program. I would also like to acknowledge that Lorelle is in her final year of her PhD studies and is progressing well.

Lorelle's participation in this program would strengthen her leadership capacity as a proud Mandandandji woman, Indigenous health researcher, and in her role as Nurse Lecturer in the School of Nursing, Midwifery and Social Work. Lorelle demonstrates effective leadership through her commitment to influencing culturally safe and responsive nursing practice and sustainable positive change regarding health inequity experienced by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

Her passion for Indigenous health research is evident through her chosen PhD topic by addressing complex health needs and the disproportionate incarceration rates of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and youth. Lorelle is working with Indigenous communities to prioritise identified need to codesign a culturally responsive prevention framework of care to reduce incarceration practices. Additionally, Lorelle's Indigenist research approaches, has been valued as a Lead Investigator, for the research project "Insights from people with lived experience of disability and the justice system", funded by the Department of Justice and Attorney-General Queensland within the school.

Lorelle's leadership strengths are further demonstrated through her ability to coordinate interdisciplinary contributions to outreach school programs for Indigenous students such as UQ InspireU program and the Murri Health Expo Day. Lorelle respects being a recipient of a National Health and Medical Research Council Post Graduate Scholarship during her PhD studies to contribute towards creating health equity for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. Thank you for considering Lorelle's application.

Yours Sincerely



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