DATE: 5 July 2019

Media Opportunity

NAIDOC Week celebrations

Voice. Treaty. Truth. is the theme of this year’s NAIDOC Week, which runs from July 7 to 13, encouraging everyone from all walks of life to work together for a shared future.

There are a number of events celebrating the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples being held across the South Western Sydney Local Health District.

An Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander garden will be unveiled at the Fairfield Hospital event. The garden has had overwhelming support in its creation which has been 12 months in the making.

At Bankstown-Lidcombe Hospital, Daphne Lola Simmons, known as Aunty Lola in the community, has created the painting Coming Together which tells the story of a group of Aboriginals and their partners who come from different tribal areas, to meet.

Each animal in the painting holds a special meaning for each member, including the green frog, carpet python, owl, butterfly, kangaroo, lizard and galah.

DATE: Wednesday 10 July

WHEN: Fairfield Hospital – smoking ceremony at 10am, sand circle and performances from 11am, lunch at noon, stalls until 2pm.
    Bankstown-Lidcombe Hospital – smoking ceremony, digeridoo playing and artwork unveiling from 10am until 11.30am.

Please contact the media team on 8738 6848 if you would like to attend.