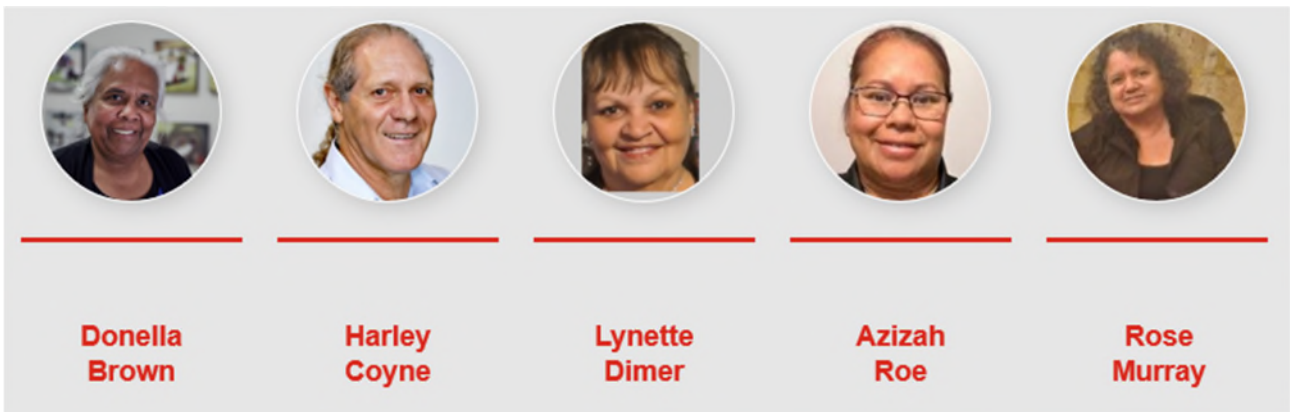


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The Culturally Inclusive Research Centre Australia (CIRCA) has recently established an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Advisory Group for Western Australia to inform our evaluation of the Tackling Indigenous Smoking (TIS) Program. TIS represents a significant milestone in the national effort to address tobacco and e-cigarette control among Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities. This Evaluation Advisory Group provides crucial advice and support to the CIRCA Research Team.

This TIS Evaluation Advisory Group for WA (TIS-EAG-WA) consists of five Aboriginal professionals with years of experience in government and in non-government organisations. The group has diverse geographic connections to WA regions where TIS operates. In addition, each member has a strong interest in and commitment to the control of tobacco and e-cigarette usage in Aboriginal communities.



The primary purpose of the TIS-EAG-WA is to ensure the culturally appropriate and safe implementation of the TIS evaluation in Western Australia, while respecting cultural protocols. Its responsibilities include advising CIRCA on effective communication with potential research participants, interpretation of findings, and dissemination of results.

CIRCA places important value on their involvement and we are honoured by the exceptional standing and history shared by this group.