

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mr Guyula to the Minister for Health:

Rehabilitation on country

Please advise what funds are being contributed for alcohol and drug rehabilitation on country for people living in North East Arnhem Land?

RESPONSE

There are a number of different therapeutic support services which have recently been enhanced in East Arnhem Land:

- Funding of \$262 500 has been provided to Miwatj Health to expand their Social and Emotional Well Being programs with a specific focus on Volatile Substance Abuse
- 10 Remote Alcohol and Other Drugs Workers are providing services throughout communities in East Arnhem Land.
- \$425 000 has been invested in 8 Alcohol Harm Minimisation projects throughout East Arnhem Land. Projects support on-country healing activities that promote reconnection with culture, and a positive diversion from the harmful impacts of alcohol.

Projects

AOD Diversion Training - Nhulunbuy, Yirrkala, Gunyangara \$25 000
Training for local community members in AOD prevention to support families affected by alcohol misuse in Gove Peninsula communities.

AOD Youth Diversion – Media Messages - Yirrkala \$20 000
A youth focused media production activity addressing substance misuse, whilst promoting respect for culture, family and personal wellbeing. Content will be circulated via social media platforms throughout East Arnhem communities.

Night Patrol Violence Reduction Training - Gove Peninsula - \$20 000
Night Patrol training to increase staff and community safety by increasing Night Patrol Worker's ability to de-escalate potentially violent situations.

AOD Beginners Youth Diversion Circus Skills - Gunyangara, Yirrkala - \$10 000
A diversionary activity engaging young people during school holidays in a beginners level circus skills workshop that promotes self-confidence, resilience, team work and perseverance.

AOD Intermediate Youth Diversion Circus Skills - Gunyangara, Yirrkala - \$10 000

A diversionary activity engaging young people during school holidays in a beginners level circus skills workshop that promotes self-confidence, resilience, team work and perseverance.

AOD Diversion - Nhulunbuy Ministry – Nhulunbuy \$10 000

AOD diversion project engaging community members to participate in garden maintenance activities, nutritious cooking and self-care.

Youth Culture Camp and Strong Living Workshops - Gove \$30 000

A three day bush camp for young Yolngu participants who will design 10 'Strong Living' workshops addressing various social, emotional, cultural wellbeing, and health challenges experienced by Yolngu on the Gove Peninsula. On return, 'Strong Living' workshops will be delivered by participants to the community.

East Arnhem Youth Development Program

Ramingining, Milingimbi, Galiwin'ku \$300 000

A training, education, and employment activity delivered by two place-based, qualified youth workers reconnecting disengaged young people through mentor/peer support activities.