



INDIGENOUS LAW CENTRE

Conference: Indigenous Legal Services in Crisis?

Current issues in legal services for Indigenous Australians

Wednesday **16 June** and Thursday **17 June** 2004 **Sydney**

Are Indigenous legal services in crisis? Is there a more general crisis across the range of organisations and individuals providing services around legal business? Regardless of the ATSILS tendering process, there are issues on the boil right across the country. The future may be a very different place. The Indigenous Law Centre is hosting a conference that will reveal information, encourage debate and foster networks. We apologise for the short notice but extend a warm invitation to join us here in June.

With this two-day conference we aim to:

- consider issues affecting service delivery right now;
- explore pressing legal issues;
- share knowledge and innovation;
- discuss possible futures for service delivery;
- affect public policy in these areas; and
- celebrate the work of Indigenous legal services and their partners.

The conference program will include sessions that cover:

- hot spots in the law: family, criminal and civil
- accessibility and cultural sensitivity: in whose eyes?
- innovation in service delivery
- getting in early: breaking cycles
- to tender or too tender: the future for specialist Indigenous legal services
- recommendations from the Royal Commission: a[nother] reckoning
- resolving disputes and conflict: methods and madness
- services from other sources: roles, relationships, communication
- governance, management, accountability
- resources: cold hard cash, pro bono, services in-kind
- understanding and measuring legal needs

The conference will be of interest to

- > lawyers, paralegal staff, field officers, administrators, educators, board members, counsellors
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Legal Services, Indigenous Women's Legal Services
- Family Violence Protection Legal Units, Community Legal Centres, Legal Aid Commissions, Native Title Representative Bodies
- > public lawyers, policy makers, police services, courts, public prosecutors, and defenders
- > councillors and staff of ATSIC Regional Councils
- > private legal practitioners, researchers and students
- > staff of other organisations providing services to Indigenous Australians
- > advocacy and rights organisations

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more information

program: A detailed program will be made available shortly. Your ideas about topics and speakers are very welcome. We can arrange places to meet for groups with shared interests. Please direct any suggestions or inquiries to the Indigenous Law Centre at ilc@unsw.edu.au or call 02 9385 2252.

venue: The venue is the Mathews Theatres at the Kensington campus of the University of New South Wales. The campus is easily accessible from the city, eastern suburbs and airport. Enter through Gate 9 on High Street or through the Anzac Gate on Anzac Parade and follow the University Walk to Upper Campus. Maps are available at www.unsw.edu.au/maps/maps.html

access, special requirements: The conference venue is wheelchair accessible. If you need a sign interpreter, hearing loop, large print format or require personal assistance, please inform us as soon as possible. We aim to meet your particular requirements for food. Please be clear in describing your needs on the registration form and call us if you wish to discuss your needs.

social: There will be an informal social gathering directly after the program closes on Wednesday 16 June. We'll serve drinks and light refreshments from 5:30 until 7:30.

getting here

public transport: The University is well served by buses from the city and surrounding areas. For information about routes and timetables call 131500 or visit www.transport.unsw.edu.au. A taxi ride from the city or airport will cost between \$10 and \$25.

parking: parking is available on campus for \$8 per day. Entry to the parking station is via Gate 11 on Barker Street. The University is extremely strict in enforcing its parking regulations. If you park outside designated areas, you risk a fine and/or a tow-away.

air travel: Qantas is pleased to support the **Indigenous Law Centre** by offering up to 40% off the full economy class airfare, excluding taxes. These airfares are subject to availability at time of booking and conditions apply. Please call 13 13 13 and quote **3574274** to access these airfares. These airfares offer a number of benefits, including the following: tickets can be purchased up to the day of departure; date changes are permitted at any time subject to class availability; tickets are fully refundable up to three (3) days prior to departure of the outbound flight; delegates may travel up to seven (7) days either side of the conference date. If some of these benefits are not as important for you, we recommend that you take advantage of the many discounted Qantas airfares available by calling Qantas on 13 13 13 or visiting the Qantas website (www.qantas.com.au) to consider some of the latest website deals on offer. Discounts range from 15% - 60% discount off the full economy class airfare

accommodation: The organisers are not making arrangements for accommodation. We have, however, included below some information about accommodation in areas close to the venue

City and Central Railway

Travelodge 02 8267 1700

Country Comfort 02 9212 2544

Mercure 02 9517 6666

Citigate Sebel 02 9213 3820

Hyde Park Plaza 02 9331 6933

Quality Hotel SC 02 9282 0987

Hotel Y 02 9264 2451

Sydney Central Youth Hostel 9281 9111

Randwick/Kensington

The Centre 02 9398 2211

Gemini Hotel 02 9399 9011

Parade Lodge 02 9662 2554

Chevalier Centre 02 9315 2222

Coogee Beach

Crowne Plaza 02 9315 7600

Medina Executive 02 9578 6000

Bayview Coogee 02 9664 9888

Coogee Guest House 02 9665 4478



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Registration Form and Tax Invoice

Please complete one form per person. Please return by fax to 02 9385 1266 or by post with payment to Indigenous Law Centre, Faculty of Law, UNSW, Sydney 2052

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title Ms Mr Other

first name

last name

position

organisation

address

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email

phone fax

Registration fees (inclusive of gst)

standard (business/government)..... \$450

community/not-for profit..... \$150

unwaged individual please call us to discuss

Registration fees cover refreshments and lunch on both days, after conference drinks on Wednesday 16 June, conference materials.

Payment

cheque to Indigenous Law Centre **or**

credit card visa mastercard bankcard

amount \$

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Special requirements

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Your registration will be confirmed when payment is received. Cancellations made within seven days of the conference will incur a fee of fifty per cent of the fee paid.

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