



Social and Emotional Wellbeing Partner Network Monthly News

May 2021

Hello everyone and welcome to our May 2021 edition of the SEWB newsletter

SEWB WSDU Team Updates

The KAMS SEWB team will have some old new faces with Lenny and Wajayi taking on new roles in the Workforce Support and Development Unit (WSDU). Please contact them for any WSDU related requests. In the second half of 2021 we will be looking to rollout train the trainer for Liyan Natural Helpers & Liyan Young Mob training to support SEWB teams across the Kimberley to build the capacity of their communities in responding to self-harm and suicide.

SEWB Admin position is now advertise please [click here](#) for more information

SEWB presents at the Garnduwa Making Her Mark Forum 2021

Making Her Mark was launched in 2019, Where 12 remote communities were visiting in the Kimberley Region. The aim of the program is to create a safe space to yarn & listen to Aboriginal women in community and understand perceived and real barriers to participating in sport.

The workshops included a combination of football drills and skills, leadership workshops and information around health/wellbeing education



KAMS SEWB staff member Wajayi (Tonii) Skeen presenting 'Liyan Young Mob' training at Garnduwa women in sport. Watch this space as Wajayi and the 'Liyan Young Mob' train the trainer may be coming to a town near you in the second half of 2021.



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Kimberley Aboriginal Suicide Prevention Plan (KASPP)

A huge thank you to everyone who participated in the KASPP validation workshops throughout the Kimberley. We have taken the document to a new level with the voice of communities throughout. It has been both challenging and rewarding to take this on. We look forward to sharing the final version with you. Hopefully with the next newsletter!

COVID Update

KAMS and member services will soon be able to offer Pfizer COVID-19 vaccines for Kimberley Aboriginal people aged 16-49 years old. A successful uptake of COVID-19 vaccines is critical in preparing our people and our communities for when COVID-19 eventually comes back to the region. Officially, COVID-19 has killed 3.45 million people across the world. The World Health Organization recently estimated that the real number is likely to be two to three times higher. All Aboriginal people aged 16 years and over will be able to receive a COVID-19 vaccine through Aboriginal Health Services when the Pfizer vaccine is available. Currently, any Aboriginal person aged 50 years and over can receive the AstraZeneca vaccine at these services.

For information about the Pfizer Please click on [link here](#)

Last week the SEWB team had a yarn with one of KAMS public health doctors Mariana Galrao. It was great to have the opportunity to have a safe space to ask questions. Please see the information sheets along with this newsletter for more information and as always link in with your local clinic for further advice.





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SEWB Gathering Report

Over two days in March 2021, delegates from across Australia attended a gathering in Perth, Western Australia, to discuss social and emotional wellbeing (SEWB).

The aim of the SEWB Gathering was to bring together Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peak bodies, community organisations, leaders, experts, and front-line workers to create a national SEWB blueprint for the future by exploring: 1) where we have been, 2) where we are now, and 3) where we are going.

The SEWB Gathering was hosted by the Transforming Indigenous Mental Health and Wellbeing Project (TIMHWP), the National Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisation (NACCHO), and Gayaa Dhuwi Proud Spirit Australia (GDPSA).

Please visit <https://timhwb.org.au/sewb-gathering-reports/> for more information

Kimberley Aboriginal Suicide Prevention Trial [KASPT] | Update

The KASPT is officially coming to an end 30 June with only limited projects approved for extension, due to delays caused by COVID. A further year of funding has been allocated in the federal budget to the national trial, but it is not yet clear what this means or how it will be allocated. Watch this space.

Message from the Suicide Prevention Coordinator

"I'd like to thank all current and past Community Liaison Officers who have contributed to and supported the incredible and greatly important work that has occurred throughout our remote communities and towns as part of the Kimberley Aboriginal Suicide Prevention Trial.

None of the projects or initiatives could have been achieved without their passion and dedication to their communities and I am greatly appreciative of their hard work, commitment and drive to make positive change."

- Kiarnee Baguley



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Job Opportunities

Take a look at a few jobs advertised at the moment within KAMS.

Position: Youth Mental Health Professional

Location: Broome, headspace

**For more info please click on [link here](#)*

Position: SEWB Case Worker

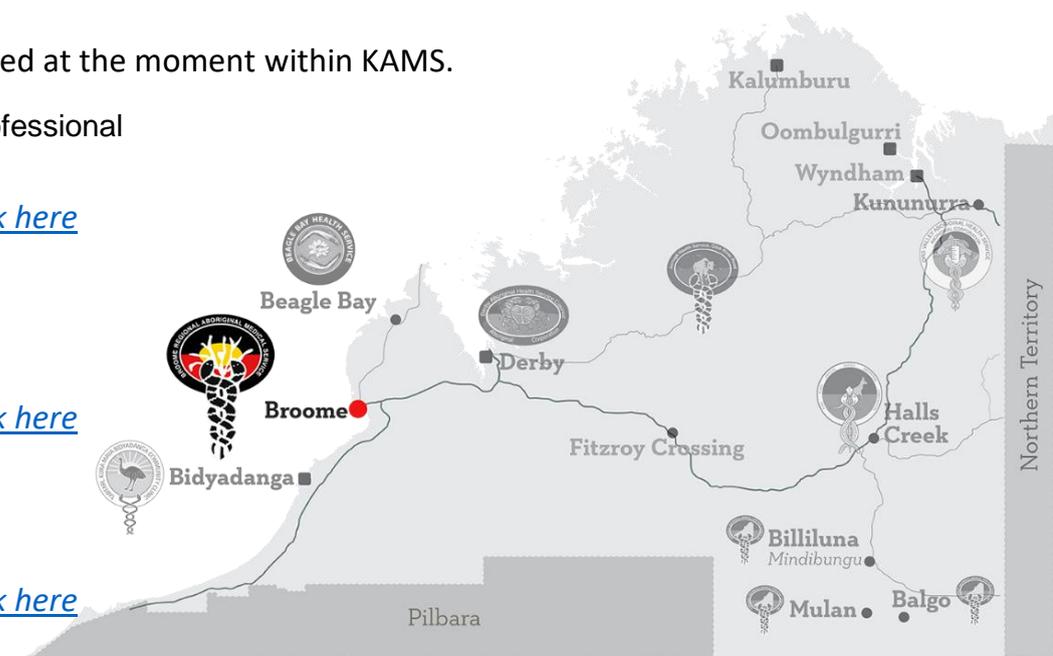
Location: Broome, BRAMS

**For more info please click on [link here](#)*

Position: SEWB ADMIN

Location: Broome, KAMS

**For more info please click on [link here](#)*



Please see link below on other job opportunities KAMS has to offer click [link here](#)

IAHA National Conference – Early Bird Registrations are NOW OPEN!

29 November – 2nd December 2021 – Sunshine Coast QLD

Each year, the IAHA National Conference brings together the largest Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander allied health workforce audience to network, create personal and cultural connections, and to hear from leaders across fields.

- For Information visit the IAHA Website - <https://iaha.com.au/events/iaha-online-national-conference/>
- To Register see link – [2021 IAHA National Conference Registration](#)





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Events and Training coming up in June and July 2021

Keep in the know on all our Events and Training being promoted in 2021, bookmark our [KAMS SEWB Calendar](#) now.

What: **SEWB Managers Forum**

When: 15th and 16th June 2021

Where: KAMS – BME

What: **LIYAN Natural Helpers Program**

When: 29th June 2021

Where: KAMS - Broome

What: **Aboriginal Mental Health First Aid (AMHFA)**

When: 5th and 6th July 2021

Where: KAMS – Broome

Check out our [SEWB Training & Events Calendar](#) for all training courses. Also, on offer in Perth both face to face and online being delivered by the Western Australian Association for Mental health are courses such as:

- Recovery and Recovery Plans – Online 2 x 4hr sessions – Thursday, 17th and Friday, 18th June 2021.
- Self-care in a time of change – Perth – Thursday, 5th August 2021,
- De-escalation skills – Perth – Monday, 23rd August 2021.

To put in an **Expression of Interest** for SEWB training please see links below:

- For **organisations** : http://kams.org.au/kamsc-services/social-emotional-well-being/eoi_org/
- For **community members**: http://kams.org.au/kamsc-services/social-emotional-well-being/eoi_community/

If you have any questions relating to our May newsletter or if your organisation is keen to share any good news or up and coming events and training in your local community, please email the details through to our SEWB Admin officer at sewbadmin@kamsc.org.au.