



Coordination of Indigenous Eye Health (CIEH)

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CIEH Objective:

Improving access to eye care for Indigenous patients through the improved coordination of services, including improved linkages between a range of services required by patients and enhanced delivery of these services.

What CIEH Funding Will Cover:

The funding for CIEH covers RWAV staff resource to ensure the coordination of the activities in partnership with external stakeholders. Similar activities with ear health coordination program.

CIEH Locations And Health Priorities:

The priority for CIEH is focusing on the coordination of services across the full spectrum of eye care, including those delivered through the Medical Outreach Indigenous Chronic Disease Programme (MOICDP), Rural Health Outreach Fund (RHOF) and the Visiting Optometrists Scheme (VOS).

As part of the planning and implementation of the CIEH activities, RWAV will be working in partnership with eye health care stakeholders working across the state (including Primary Health Networks, local health services and hospitals, Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Services, eye health care service providers, Victorian Department of Health and local health organisations) to ensure integration of services from initial consultations, to treatment, referral and continuity of care for the local communities.

