Aboriginal Health Liaison Officer



The Aboriginal Health Liaison Officer (AHLO) provides support to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women and their families, and women birthing First Nations babies, at Barwon Health.

AHLO Renee Howell is a proud Arrernte Woman living on Wadawurrung Country. Renee is available Monday to Friday during business hours to provide support, referral, information and resources to First Nations families at Barwon Health.

Our AHLO can help people understand the needs of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women and families to ensure culturally appropriate maternity experiences at Barwon Health.

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The Aboriginal Health Liaison Officer can help with:

- Cultural knowledge and support
- Culturally appropriate resources
- Strengthening relationships with Aboriginal women and Barwon Health staff
- Attending appointments

- Referrals to additional supports where required
- Guidance and advice for Barwon Health staff and maternity teams
- Transport if required
- Appointment reminders

- Advocacy with child protection
- Transition to post-natal ward
- Post-natal ward visits and support if required
- The Special Care Nursery journey



Get to know our team and learn how the Aboriginal Health Unit can support you.

"Ngardang (mother)" painted by Ammie Howell (Arrernte woman - Alice Springs, NT)

