Wellbeing Impacts of COVID-19 on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Youth (WICAT-Y)

_Invitation for Expressions of Interest_

**Who are we?**
We are part of the Aboriginal and Islander Mental health initiative (AIMhi) at Menzies School of Health Research. We work with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and organisations to promote mental health and wellbeing through research. We are made up of public health researchers, students, doctors and psychologists.

**What is the research about?**
We want to know how the COVID-19 (or Coronavirus) pandemic has impacted the lives of young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. You don’t need to be directly affected by COVID-19: we are interested in the broader impacts of the pandemic such as how it has affected mental health and wellbeing; work or study; connection with others; and connection with culture.

The research will help develop better resources and health messages for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander youth.

**Who can participate?**
If you are 16 -25 years old and identify as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander, you can get involved.

**What is involved?**
If you decide to take part in the research, you might be asked to join an interview in October 2020. Interviews will be held in Darwin or via Zoom (online video chat) if you live further away or interstate. The interview will take less than 1 hour and it will be conducted by 2 members of the research team. You can also choose to be contacted for future opportunities in 2021.

**Do I get anything for participating?**
You will receive a voucher for your participating in the interview. Your participation will help us develop better resources to help other young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders stay strong in times of stress such as the pandemic.

**How do I get involved?**
If you would like to be involved please get in contact with a member of the research team, or send your name and contact phone number to Emily via email on etay0925@uni.sydney.edu.au, or via text or phone-call on: 0425 864 932.

Alternatively, you can go here to fill out an Expression of Interest form online: https://forms.gle/Ea5AALQGgLtqEmBRA

Kind Regards,
AIMhi Stay Strong research team