

What is the Deadly Pharmacists course?

The Deadly Pharmacists course is an interactive online course to equip pharmacists with the skills they need to work with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander primary health care services. The 7-module, CPD-accredited course focuses on the role of pharmacists integrated within Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisations (ACCHOs) but is relevant to all pharmacists.

The course covers topics such as Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture, communication skills including how to use clinical yarning in practice, and conditions of prevalence in some Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities. It also covers practical aspects of the role, such as how services are funded, and important MBS and PBS information pharmacists need to understand to fulfil their role.

The course features interviews with pharmacists who work within ACCHOs, sharing their knowledge and passion for working in this very rewarding environment.

PSA acknowledges that cultural safety training is best delivered by Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people with localised context and ideally in a face-to-face setting. The Deadly Pharmacists course was not designed to be a standalone cultural safety training course. It will nonetheless be invaluable to pharmacists on their lifelong learning journey to providing culturally safe care.

How was the Deadly Pharmacists course developed?

The Deadly Pharmacists course was co-designed by the Pharmaceutical Society of Australia and the National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (NACCHO). All modules were developed with Aboriginal authorship and/or review of content, as well as narration.

The Deadly Pharmacists course was produced on Tubbagah Wiradjuri, Nyangbul Budjalung, Ngarkat, Gubbi Gubbi, Wathaurong, Boon Wurrung, Ngunnawal and Whadjuk Noongar Countries.

Who can access the Deadly Pharmacists course, and how?

The Deadly Pharmacists course is available free of charge to all pharmacists, including PSA members and non-members.

To access the course, pharmacists can use this link <u>HERE</u> or the QR code below, then click on the Enrol Now button. PSA members should then click on Login to enter the PSA education portal as usual. Non-members can simply click on Register and complete a brief online form to sign up for non-member access to the course.

