

# JUMBUNNA SESSIONS

Supporting Aboriginal Maternal,  
Child and Family Health

## Early exposure, lasting effects: Cannabis and Tobacco use in the first 2000 days

### When:

Wednesday 13 November  
1:00pm – 2:30pm (AEDT)

### Where:

Online webinar

### To Register:

Click or scan QR code to register



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### Overview

The Jumbunna sessions are a series of dedicated professional development webinars presented by the Training Support Unit (TSU) for multidisciplinary staff working in the Aboriginal Maternal Infant Health Service (AMIHS) and Building Strong Foundations (BSF) teams and interested healthcare colleagues supporting and partnering with Aboriginal families in NSW.

### Presentation Details

Join our upcoming webinar to explore the critical topic of cannabis and tobacco use during pregnancy, breastfeeding, and early childhood.

Dr Ju-Lee Oei, Neonatologist at Royal Hospital for Women and Conjoint Professor at University of New South Wales, will explore the latest research on the effects of cannabis on fetal development, infant health, and

early childhood development. The presentation will also showcase the 'Substance Use in Pregnancy and Parenting Program' and provide an update on the refresh of the 'Yarning about Quitting' module in My Health Learning.

Register now and be part of the conversation!

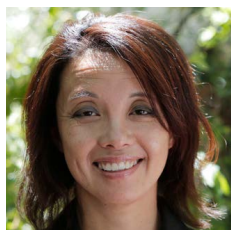
### Learning Outcomes

- Describe the effects of cannabis use in the first 2000 days of life and its potential impacts on families.
- Discuss the role of the 'Substance use in Pregnancy and Parenting Program' and how they work in partnership with AMIHS and BSF services.

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## Speakers



### **Dr Ju-lee Oei - Neonatologist, Royal Hospital for Women**

Dr Ju-lee Oei is a Neonatologist at the Royal Hospital for Women, Randwick; Conjoint Professor at UNSW Sydney; and Honorary Associate Professor at the NHMRC Clinical Trials Centre, University of Sydney. Dr Oei's undergraduate and postgraduate degrees were obtained from UNSW (MBBS 1990, MD 2010). Dr Oei is a Fellow of the Royal Australasian College of Physicians (2000), Editor in Chief of the Journal of Paediatrics and Child Health and lead author of the NSW Substance Use in Pregnancy and Parenting Guidance 2024.

Dr Oei's clinical specialty is in the care of the high-risk infant, including those requiring admission to a Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) and children who are exposed to prenatal drugs. Dr Oei has published 185 research papers, five book chapters and has an H-index of 43.



### **Kate Masters - Registered Nurse and Midwife, CCLHD**

Kate Masters is a Registered Nurse and Midwife who has been practicing for over 30 years, both in Australia and the United Kingdom. Kate has always had an interest in addiction and substance use in health. After completing a graduate certificate in Drug and Alcohol Nursing at the college of Nursing, Kate commenced working in the Substance Use in Pregnancy and Parenting Program (SUPPS).

Kate is now employed as the acting CNC for the SUPPS team on the Central Coast.

### **Sharnee Townsend - Acting Manager Aboriginal Maternal, Child and Family Health, Ministry of Health**

Sharnee Townsend is a proud Wailwan woman who has worked for NSW Health for the last 15 years. Sharnee is the acting manager of the Aboriginal Maternal, Child and Family Health team within the Health and Social Policy Branch at the Ministry of Health. Sharnee has worked as an Aboriginal Health Worker and managed the Ngiyang Aboriginal Maternal, Child and Family team in Central Coast Local Health District for many years.

Sharnee holds a Bachelor of Arts Sociology and Indigenous Australian Studies and a Post Graduate Certificate in Public Sector Management, Business Administration and Management.

### **Amy Mackenzie - Child and Family Health Clinical Nurse Specialist, Ministry of Health**

Amy Mackenzie is a Child and Family Health Clinical Nurse Specialist working with the Aboriginal Maternal, Child and Family Health team for the Health and Social Policy Branch at the Ministry of Health (MOH). Before joining the MOH, Amy worked in partnership with the Malabar Midwives and the Aboriginal Child and Family Health team in South Eastern Sydney Local Health District.

Amy has completed her Masters of International Public Health and is passionate about addressing the social determinants of health and ensuring all children are supported to have the best possible start in life.