CULTURAL SAFETY: DEFINITION, HISTORY AND CONTEXT

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Abstract

The DEEWR Aboriginal Health, Education and Research team's brief includes implementing Cultural Safety in the Health Science faculty. Our discussion will consider what this might mean, offer a definition and a history of the phrase ‘Cultural Safety’, explore the context in which such an implementation is deemed necessary and how it might be enacted. We will also explore Cultural Safety as a component of workforce development in the area of health.

When: Friday 25th September 2009
Time: Presentation from 12.00-13.15pm
Where: Health Sciences Boardroom 400:405
Tea and coffee will be provided.

About the Presenters

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