

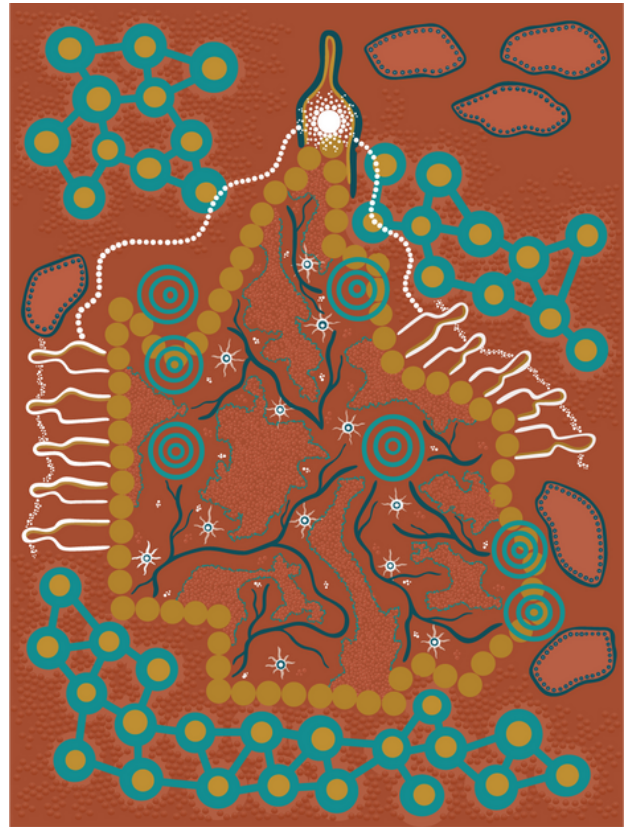
ABOUT THE ARTWORK

HEALING HEPATITIS

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This artwork tells the story of an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Liaison who has shared their story and knowledge of hepatitis C with the team at Hepatitis Queensland (HQ). From here, the HQ team are working to educate and inform Mob across Queensland about hepatitis C.

There are several critical factors to consider when raising awareness about hepatitis C, a significant health issue for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Communities. The health workers who visit or work within Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Communities and Health Services must be trained and educated on how to communicate appropriately with Mob. Education about the importance of health checks for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who live in Communities can lead to greater life expectancy and better health outcomes for the future.



The elements used in this artwork tell us the following story:



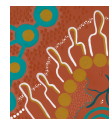
The yarning circles scattered across Queensland are the different communities that Hepatitis Queensland have engaged with throughout the Hep Check project



The blue and yellow figure at the top of the artwork is the HQ Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Liaison who is sharing their story and knowledge about hep C



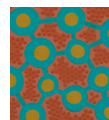
The dot work surrounded by blue dots represents how common hep C may be in our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities



The yellow and white figures around the state are the Hepatitis Queensland staff.



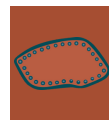
The navy blue line work represents that more people need to be informed and educated about hep C so that less people will be at risk in the future.



The yellow and blue network shows that by spreading awareness, more people are able to heal and treat their hep C.



The hep C virus are the smaller dots with wiggly lines and are shown across the state moving and impacting Mob.



The image of the liver reminds us that after all the hard work of keeping Mob connected to their bodies and health, the liver is most impacted by the hep C virus.