

# Corrections Management (PDC: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Detainees) Policy 2011

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***Corrections Management Act 2007*, section 14(1) (Corrections policies and operating procedures)**

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## **1 Name of instrument**

This instrument is the *Corrections Management (PDC: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Detainees) Policy 2011*.

## **2 Commencement**

This instrument commences on the day after it is notified.

## **3 Policy**

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POLICY

attached to this instrument, to facilitate the effective and efficient management of correctional services.

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## PERIODIC DETENTION CENTRE:



# ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER DETAINEES POLICY

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## **Purpose**

To outline the policy to ensure the appropriate reception and management of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander detainees at the Periodic Detention Centre (PDC).

## **Authority**

### Legislation

*Corrections Management Act 2007*, section 14.

*Crimes (Sentence Administration) Act 2005*, Part 5.2

## **Policy**

### Principles

It is recognised that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander detainees have particular cultural needs that differ from the wider detainee population.

ACT Corrective Services is committed to the implementation of the recommendations of the Royal Commission into Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Deaths in Custody (RCIADIC) report regarding the safe care and conduct of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in correctional centres.

### Admission

Detainees have the opportunity to identify themselves as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander during their initial induction to the PDC.

### Recreation, programs, and education

Representatives of community based organisations may be granted access to the PDC to conduct programs and/or education for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander detainees.

Representatives of community based organisations who have been granted access to the PDC are subject to policies and procedures relating to entry into the PDC.

**Medical**

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander detainees have access to health services in accordance with the *PDC Access to Health Care Policy*.

**Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cultural Awareness Training**

All Corrections Officers will undertake Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cultural Awareness Training as part of their recruit course. Follow up refresher training will be conducted periodically to enhance cross cultural communication with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander detainees.

**Forms and templates**

PDC Induction Package

**Related policies and procedures**

PDC Access to Health Care Policy