

## **[Media release: Supporting improved healthcare for Aboriginal and Torres Strait islander peoples](#)**

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples can trial a new tool to help them manage their healthcare with the launch of a pilot program in Perth of the GoShare digital platform which has supported over 1000 patients so far.

Launched by The Hon Ken Wyatt AM MP, Federal Member for Hasluck and Minister for Indigenous Australians, the pilot program enables doctors, nurses and other clinicians at St John of God Midland Public Hospital in Perth to prescribe a tailored information pack for patients.

The electronic packs may include video-based patient stories, fact sheets, apps and tools on a range of health and wellness topics. They are prepared and adapted according to the patient's health literacy levels and are being sent by email or text to improve their integrated care and chronic disease self-management.

The pilot program has been approved by the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Service and is being run as a partnership between St John of God Health Care, a not-for-profit private healthcare organisation, the Australian Digital Health Agency and Healthily, an Australian health-tech company specialising in patient education.

Minister Wyatt welcomed this initiative that will support improved healthcare for Aboriginal and Torres Strait islander peoples.

“By making it easier for people to manage their health issues, this pilot can deliver better health outcomes.

“The Hospital's use of GoShare has already supported over 1050 of its maternity and Emergency Department patients and patients requiring support for mental health issues.

**<https://www.digitalhealth.gov.au/news-and-events/news/media-release-supporting-improved-healthcare-for-aboriginal-and-torres-strait-islander-peoples>**

### **Digital Health Media**

---

Australian Digital Health Agency  
Level 25, 175 Liverpool St, Sydney NSW 2000  
Mobile [+61 428 772 421](tel:+61428772421)  
Email [media@digitalhealth.cog.au](mailto:media@digitalhealth.cog.au)  
Web [www.digitalhealth.gov.au](http://www.digitalhealth.gov.au)

The Australian Digital Health Agency acknowledges the traditional owners of country throughout Australia, and their continuing connection to land, sea and community. We pay our respects to them and their cultures, and to Elders both past and present.