



National Close the Gap Day 2025

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Register for the Official National Close the Gap Day event 2025

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LAUNCH OF THE
CLOSE THE GAP
CAMPAIGN REPORT 2025

Agency, Leadership, Reform:
Ensuring the survival, dignity and wellbeing of
First Nations peoples

20 March
10.30 - 12.00pm AEDT

**Register to attend
the event in person
or
use the link to watch online**



Hosted in Melbourne at the Aborigines Advancement League, the Close the Gap Campaign will launch our 2025 report.

To register your in-person attendance please use the following link [National Close The Gap Day 2025 Tickets, Thu, Mar 20, 2025 at 10:30 AM | Eventbrite](#)

No need to register, Please watch the live stream at [National Close the Gap Day – 2025 Report Launch](#)

What is the National Close the Gap Day?

National Close the Gap Day (NCTGD) is a national day of action to pledge support for achieving Indigenous health equality by 2030. Over 250,000 people have participated in National Close the Gap Day events right across the country.

National Close the Gap Day is observed on the third Thursday of March, falling on March 21st this year, and advocates for health equity of Australia's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and educating the public about the health issues and the barriers to well-being faced by them. Since 2007, National Close the Gap Day brings together Australians from all over the country to advocate for health equity and take meaningful action to create better and more equitable conditions for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples across Australia.

The theme for 2025 is "Agency, Leadership, Reform: Ensuring the survival, dignity, and wellbeing of First Nations Peoples".

This theme emphasizes the importance of leadership in creating change and empowering First Nations communities.

The focus is on continuing to improve health outcomes, reduce overcrowding, improve food security, keeping First Nations families safe, and increase economic empowerment.

What is Closing the Gap?

The Australian government adopted the goals of the **Close** the Gap Campaign in 2008, in a strategy known as **Closing** the Gap, and in 2009 committed to making an annual progress report to Parliament on progress with the Closing the Gap strategy.

In 2020, the Closing the Gap framework and strategy was significantly overhauled, with a "greater focus on partnership between governments and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people".

The current *National Agreement* has been developed in partnership between the National Federation Reform Council (NFRC) (representing the Australian Commonwealth Government, state and territory governments, and the Australian Local Government Association) and the [Coalition of Peaks](#).

The 2020 [National Agreement on Closing the Gap](#) (*National Agreement*) is a strategy which aims to improve the life outcomes of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

The National Agreement outlines 17 socioeconomic targets and four priority reforms.

The four priority reform targets aim to change the way governments at national, state, and community levels work to improve the life outcomes of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

The 17 national socio-economic outcome areas are education, employment, health and wellbeing, justice, safety, housing, land and waters, and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander languages. The targets help to monitor progress in improving the lives of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

*INDIGENOUS leaders have declared it's time for the “**rubber to hit the road**” as a plan to reduce First Nations’ disadvantage continues to fall short of its goals.*

Delivering the Closing the Gap statement at Parliament House, Anthony Albanese recently confirmed just five of 19 targets outlined in the strategy are on track to be met by 2031.

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For more than a decade now, Australians from every corner of the country, in schools, businesses and community groups, have shown their support for Close the Gap by marking National Close the Gap Day on the third Thursday in March each year.

This National Close the Gap Day, we have an opportunity to send our governments a clear message that Australians value health equality as a fundamental right for all.

Encourage your workplace, home, community or school to host an activity. The aim is to bring people together to share information, and most importantly, to take meaningful action in support of achieving health equality for First Nations Peoples by 2032.

How to get involved in National Close the Gap Day

- [Register your activity](#). You can download some online resources to support your event
- Invite your friends, workmates and family to join you
- [Take action by signing the Close the Gap pledge](#) and asking your friends and colleagues to do the same
- Call, tweet or write to your local Member of Parliament and tell them that you want them to Close the Gap
- Listen to and share the stories of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people on Facebook – [visit our Close the Gap Facebook page.\(link is external\)](#)
- Share your photos and stories on social media. Use the hashtag #CloseTheGap

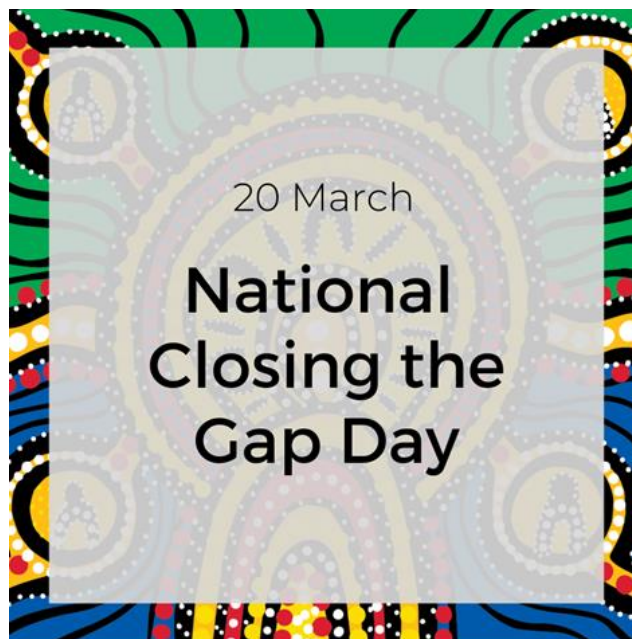
- [Donate to help our work on Close the Gap](#)

With events ranging from workplace morning teas, sports days, school events and public events in hospitals and offices around the country — tens of thousands of people take part each year to make a difference.

Your actions can create lasting change. Be part of the generation that closes the gap.

<https://closethegap.org.au/closing-the-gap/>

National Close the Gap Prayer - Archdiocesan Ministries



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