

## **Media Release**

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## New date in November for National Indigenous Touch Football Knockout

The National Indigenous Touch Football Knockout planned for this June long weekend has been postponed to November.

Wellington Aboriginal Corporation Health Service's **Quit B Fit – Tackling Indigenous Smoking Program** and Manly Warringah Sea Eagles in conjunction with NSW Touch Football & Touch Football Australia and Dubbo Regional Council will host the 2017 National Indigenous Touch Carnival Knockout which will be the first of its kind in Australia.

"The organising committee agreed to change the date and also review the registration and competitor criteria to encourage more registrations to ensure a highly successful event for Dubbo," said WACHS CEO Darren Ah See.

The Knockout will be open to men, women's, mixed and junior grades and will feature a prize pool of up to \$40,000 for winners and runner's up.

## "The revised registration and competitor details will be available on the event's website and social media on 1 July 2017.

Mr Ah See encourages all interested players to get involved.

"We have received overwhelming support from the community and we thank the sponsors on board already including the Western NSW Local Health District, Cloudwize, Sydney University, and Western Plains Zoo.

"We will be moving forward in November with our plans to host a health hub and kids activity/entertainment area at the Knockout to promote healthy living," he said.

"We're also planning entertainment and an open mic session for amateur musicians to make the weekend a family fun-filled time," he said.

For more information visit the KO website <u>www.indigenoustouchknockout.sportingpulse.net</u> or follow @quitbfit on Facebook and #quitbfit on Twitter and Instagram.

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