



# Curijo Connect

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### Message from the Management Team

We at Curijo wish you a very happy new year and we hope you have had a safe and relaxing Christmas.

2017 for us so far has been extremely busy! We are excited about what this year will bring with new work and relationships. We have building relationships and increasing our service delivery primarily in the Cultural Services and Audit and Assurance practices. We now have several casual employees to support service delivery to a high standard. The end of 2016 brought several changes in our business with us currently in process of upgrading from Registered to Certified with Supply Nation and the official signing of a Collaboration Agreement with Deloitte Canberra. We have reviewed our strategic plan and we are working towards our newly focussed aim and goals.

We look forward to working with you in 2017!

### Collaboration Agreement



#### Our Collaboration Agreement with Deloitte Canberra

We are delighted to have signed a Collaboration Agreement with Deloitte Canberra, we will be working with Deloitte on a variety of projects throughout the year. It's a great opportunity to work together to share knowledge and expertise through our two-way learning philosophy. We will keep you posted with our progress in our next newsletter.



Head over to our newly designed website. We'd love to hear your feedback!

[www.curijo.com.au](http://www.curijo.com.au)

### Our new Strategic Direction

#### Our Aim



#### Our Vision

To be a sustainable business that contributes to Reconciliation.

#### Our Mission

To provide high quality and culturally safe services to our clients.

### Cultural Services

Our Cultural Services Practice has grown significantly in the past three months, we have been providing many cultural support services to



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various organisations including Cultural Learning, Journey Training and Presentations, Family Group Conferencing, Cultural Links and Tracing for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families, External Staff Supervision sessions, Foster and Kinship Carer Assessments and Annual Reviews to name a few.

Many organisations are working in Reconciliation by training all staff in our Cultural Learning Journey. This provides staff with a variety of information about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, cultures and histories as well as practical strategies to work effectively. The feedback from this training has been extremely positive. You can head over to our website to see participant's feedback or give us a call to talk further about how we can assist through tailoring our package to meet the needs of your staff and organisation.



### Our Cultural Services Offerings

We have increased our offerings to meet the needs of our customers. We are currently working Please see our current offerings:

- *Cultural Learning Journey*
- *Cultural Mentoring Training*
- *Effectively Supervising Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Staff Training*
- *Cultural Supervision – External Staff*
- *Foster Care Assessments and Reviews*
- *Cultural Support Plans (Development, Review and Training)*
- *Cultural Links - Family Tracing/Consultancy*
- *Family Group Conferencing*
- *Parenting Capacity Assessments*
- *Cultural Community Engagement*

### Audit and Assurance

Our Audit and Assurance practice also continues to grow.

We have been busy building the practice with the tools and methodologies required to comply with ISQC1, the international standard on quality control. We have also established several business partnerships for support and advice as well established a panel of senior auditors to carry out the work.

We thank our mentors who have and continue to be a great support to us as we develop.

### What we are working on.

**Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity** – Audit and Assurance  
**Family and Community Services NSW**– Family Group Conferencing and Foster and Kinship Care Assessments, Cultural Links and Tracing  
**Life Without Barriers** – Aboriginal Cultural Support Plan review for children



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and young people, Cultural Links and Tracing  
**Department of Health** – Mentoring Training  
**Red Cross** – External staff supervision  
**Diabetes Australia** – through **WDS** Scott – Change Management Governance  
**AIATSIS** – Internal Audit  
**Department of Social Services** – Motivational Maps and planning  
**Murray Darling Basin Authority** – Cultural Learning Journeys  
**ORIC** – Audit Panel  
**Transport Canberra and City Service** – Cultural Learning Journey  
**Marymead** – Foster Care Assessments  
**Australian National Audit Office** – RAP Support  
**Barnardos**- Cultural Learning Journey, Strategic Workshops  
**CCWT** – Facilitation of Training

### Upcoming Cultural Events

Anniversary of the National Apology 13/2/17

Harmony Day 21/2/17

<http://www.harmony.gov.au/>

### Our Journey to support Aboriginal Accountants

#### Did you know?

There are only 32 identified Aboriginal Accountants across a membership base of around 160,000 accountants.

With the introduction of the Government's Indigenous Procurement Policy we understand that the opportunity for Indigenous business is increasing. This means that there are more and more Indigenous businesses commencing and growing.

As this happens the need for accountants to assist in these businesses is also growing.

Our goal is to establish a pipeline of work that will allow us to recruit and train Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Accountants to work with us in our industry sectors, so that they can take these skills into these new businesses.

We have a number of initiatives in the pipeline

and we will announce these over the next newsletters.

If you are, or know of an individual who wishes to study and work in this space please ask them to contact us.

### Supply Nation

#### Connect 2017

#### Conference

#### 'Everyone's Business'

The Annual Supply Nation Connect 2017 Conference is scheduled for May 2017. We are delighted to have been invited to be a part of the panel discussion 'Understanding the other side'. This is a Town Hall style session where the challenges are discussed in relation to getting business started and progressing to grow Indigenous business.

We are hoping to see you there. Check out the website:

<http://supplynationconnect.com.au>

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