

<u>Deaf Services Queensland</u> is a not for profit prominent service provider for Deaf and Hard of Hearing community members across all ages in Queensland with a focus on community and empowerment. Our vision is for individuals and communities to be empowered, connected and achieving.

Deaf Indigenous Services in Cairns

The Deaf Indigenous Service aims to meet the growing needs of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities. This is a support service helping to connect the community in the Far North Region. This service is based in the Cairns office. Engagement and relationship building is an important part of understanding the service needs and barriers faced by Deaf and Hard of Hearing individuals in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

The Deaf Indigenous Service aims to build partnerships with service providers, organisations, businesses, individuals and communities that share a common interest in working with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities where hearing loss is prevalent.

Service available focuses on Community Access, Partnership Building and Community Engagement.

Click on **Deaf Indigenous Services** for more information

Community Access, Cairns

Community Access is a walk in service that provides community members with direct contact with a Community Development Officer to assist with information sharing, referrals, advocacy and awareness. This service is culturally and linguistically tailored to the individual and is available to anyone regardless of age.

This service is available on Tuesdays 930am to 12pm and Thursdays 1pm to 4pm every week.

Click on **Community Access Cairns** for more information

Auslan for Families

Deaf Services Queensland offers classes to parents who want to learn Auslan (Australian Sign Language) for their children.

Currently there are three choices available to families:

- 1. Baby Signs
- 2. Community Auslan Classes
- 3. Auslan in the Home

Click on <u>Auslan for Families</u> for more information

Auslan Interpreting

Auslan Connections provides specialist interpreting services across Australia with all profits reinvested in programs supporting the Deaf and hard of hearing community.

Services include face to face interpreting, Video Remote Interpreting, After Hours Emergency Interpreting and Foreign Language Interpreting

Click on Auslan Interpreting for more information

Hear For Kids

Hear for Kids is Deaf Services Queensland's Early Intervention Program for Deaf and Hard of Hearing infants and children.

Click on $\underline{\text{Hear for Kids}}$ for more information

HERE'S THE LINK IF YOU NEED IT SEPARATELY: http://www.deafservicesqld.org.au/Services/Hear-for-kids