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Start your own RIPA

Have you got a question about RIPA?

Interested in starting your own RIPA? Contact us and we will arrange for someone to talk with parents about how RIPA National can help you set up your own local RIPA. Having your own local RIPA means issues that affect your community can also be raised with RIPA National to enable a collective voice at the national level.





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Remote Indigenous Parents Australia

> National Indigenous Corporation ICN 8596 (RIPA National)

Contact RIPA National to discuss how to share your stories

We are interested in listening to parents and families share their stories about the individual and collective initiatives that support positive well-being and education outcomes and make life interesting and enjoyable for children and families from remote Indigenous communities.

Contact RIPA today!

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RIPA National

Remote Indigenous Parents Australia

National Indigenous Corporation

was officially registered on 5th April, 2017

(name change 18th September 2018)

with the

Office of the Registrar for Indigenous Corporations
We trade as

"RIPA National"

RIPA is for families

RIPA is about facilitating opportunities for Indigenous parents and families from remote Communities to have a voice on matters concerning the well-being and education of their children.

The RIPA plan is to widen the circle to facilitate a genuine conversation between parents, families, educators, support agencies, residential boarding providers, schools and communities at a local, regional and national level. It is about doing things WITH each other in ways that build trust and respect cultural differences, values and beliefs. It is about meeting needs in a caring and nurturing environment.

endment (Extend Family Assistance to ABSTUDY Secondary School Boarding Students Aged 16 and Over) Bill 2019

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RIPA represents Indigenous parents and families at the local and national level.

We have participated in national forums such as the Senate Standing Committee on Indigenous Affairs:

Inquiry into educational opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students; ABSTUDY

review; Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse; Study Away Review and
other significant events and activities. This provides a great opportunity to share the message about
concerns and challenges faced by Indigenous parents in remote communities across Australia.

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represented and have a voice.

We encourage communities to develop shared ideas about the possibilities and opportunities for supporting their children's well-being and education.

