

# Support organisation fact sheet

## Who can be a support organisation?

- Aboriginal Medical Service (AMS)
- Aboriginal Health Service (AHS)
- Local Health District (LHD)
- Local Aboriginal Lands Council
- Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisation (ACCO)
- Primary Health Network (PHN)
- Non-government organisation (NGO)
- Sporting club
- A private organisation.

Teams with strong links to local health services are more likely to have the support they need to run regular, sustainable activities – and keep these going for their community long after Challenge to Change ends. Note: private organisations and sole traders will require a letter of support from a Local Health District or Aboriginal health service.

## What is the role of the support organisation?

The role of the support organisation is to:

- support the team manager and team with their initiatives
- sign a contract with the NSW Ministry of Health
- register as a vendor with NSW Health and submit the first invoice for the team
- release funds for payment of services and activities provided for the team
- confirm the funds were spent as per the contract and submit the final invoice at the end of the program.

## Can support organisations do more?

Yes, they play a key role in helping Challenge to Change teams stay strong and make a difference to their health. They can help teams plan, deliver, and grow their health programs.

***“The local AMS provided free PT sessions, health checks, and information sessions.” – Team manager, Orange***

Support can be in-kind, as part of a commitment to improve health outcomes, or costs can be covered through the Challenge to Change program.

***“They allowed me to do all the fitness programs, room rental was free of charge, and they provided nursing staff to do screening.” – Team manager, Quirindi***

## What information is needed from the support organisation for the application?

- Name of the organisation.
- An active ABN (Australian Business Number).
- Contact person details including name, role, best contact number, and email.
- Street address and bank details for the organisation.

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