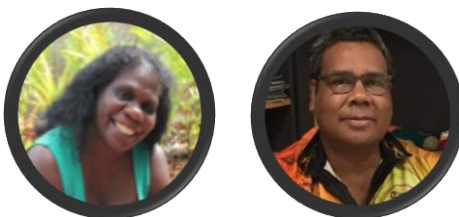


## Start your own RIPA

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.

## Have you got a question about RIPA?



[admin@ripa.org.au](mailto:admin@ripa.org.au)

**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!

### Contact details

RIPA National  
PO Box 369, Berrimah, NT 0828  
Email: [admin@ripa.org.au](mailto:admin@ripa.org.au)  
Phone: 0416240999

Web: [www.ripa.org.au](http://www.ripa.org.au)



# RIPA National

**Remote Indigenous Parents Australia**

**National Indigenous Corporation**

was officially registered on 5<sup>th</sup> April, 2017

(name change 18<sup>th</sup> 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.

## RIPA NATIONAL BOARD

Mrs Lorraine Bennett  
(Co-chair)



Ms Michelle Bennett



Mr John Morgan  
(Co-chair)



Mr Terry O'Connell OAM



Mrs Nicole Thompson



Mr Neil Gibson



Mr Bjorn Christie-Johnston



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.

We attend conferences and workshops to ensure Indigenous parents from remote communities are 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.

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