NT Gambling Project Update

A Northern Territory Government funded pilot project aiming to address the impacts of gambling in three Indigenous communities. These communities are Willowra, Pmara Jutunta and Wurrumiyunga.

Along with major design and implementation aspects, this project has been funded to be evaluated simultaneously, which we hope will make an important contribution to the evidence base in determining ‘best practice’ for health promotion projects.

Baseline completed

The team spent most of June, July and August on the road gathering qualitative and quantitative data in Willowra, Pmara Jutunta and Wurrumiyanga. ANU and Menzies undertook surveys with community members and conducted semi-structured interviews with service providers and some community members.

Thank you to all those who participated and assisted us in collecting such rich data about gambling in the communities. We heard a wide variety of views from many perspectives.
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What's next?

Amity will be visiting communities in October and November to continue to work with community members around how they would like to engage a public health approach to address the impacts of gambling in their communities. ANU and Menzies will be analysing the data collected to establish the baseline and inform the implementation of Amity's project. The team is also finalising a literature review of health promotion approaches, gambling and Indigenous evaluation, which will continue to inform Amity's approach.

If you see us in community, come say hello and tell us about your views on gambling.
The team will also be heading to the National Association for Gambling Studies Conference in November 2017 to talk about the project and learn from other practitioners and researchers.