First Nations communities

Our Diverse Communities

First Nations people are historically under-counted in the Census.
In 2021, the ABS showed that 871 people in Banyule identified as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander, an increase of 165 people since 2016.
However, Banyule Community Health have more than 1,500 First Nations people accessing their service



Being connected to culture was associated with better health.
71% of Aboriginal adults who attended an Aboriginal cultural event reported being in excellent, very good or good health

The lifetime health impact of interventions delivered by Aboriginal Controlled Health Organisations is estimated to be 50% greater than if the same interventions were delivered by mainstream health services.

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Almost half of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island community in Banyule are under the age of 24

43% of First Nations people in Banyule have one or more long-term health conditions compared to 33% for the whole of Banyule

The data from this report has been sourced from ABS Census 2021, Family Matters Report 2020, Your health: Report of the Chief Health Officer, Victoria 2019 , Banyule City Council's Innovate Reconciliation Action Plan, VAHI Population Health Reports