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UNIT 3 – AUSTRALIA’S HEALTH
AREA OF STUDY 2 – PROMOTING HEALTH AND WELLBEING

Key Knowledge: Exploring initiatives introduced to address Indigenous health and wellbeing.

Readings Jacaranda textbook pages: 250-254

There are a number of population groups within Australia who do not experience the same level of health and wellbeing as the rest of the population. Indigenous Australians are one group that have the potential to experience improvements in health and wellbeing – in life expectancy, in mortality rates, in education, and employment – to name a few. The “Closing the Gap” initiative has introduced many intervention programs – this section of your textbook looks at 7 of them?

1. When did the Closing the Gap initiative begin and how? – (this is an example of “building healthy public policy” at play – Ottawa Charter)
2. Identify the areas of focus of the Closing the Gap initiative? Figure 7.32 on page 251
3. Briefly describe each of the 7 interventions covered in this chapter – and for each note the action area of the Ottawa Charter that is shown in the program.
4. Complete “Apply your knowledge” question 7 (table) on page 254 into your workbook.
5. Find the “Closing the Gap” prime minister’s report for 2018 and report on the child mortality findings that begin on page 37 of this 132 page report.