The Aboriginal Withdrawal Unit will provide:

- Male and female Aboriginal drug and alcohol workers
- Assistance from specialist medical personnel during the withdrawal process
- One-to-one support, yarning, life skills and group activities
- Referral and liaison with residential rehabilitation agencies and other services as required
- Assistance and referral to financial, social and health support services
- Art activities

Other support and treatment

There are a number of different services available to Aboriginal people seeking help to address drug and alcohol issues.

For assistance and information about other support and treatment options call:

Aboriginal Alcohol and Drug Service
Ph: (08) 9221 1411

Alcohol and Drug Information Service
Ph: (08) 9442 5000

Toll free 1800 198 024

Aboriginal Withdrawal Unit

32 Moore Street, EAST PERTH WA 6004

Ph: (08) 9219 1919
Fax : (08) 9219 1885

PO Box 126, MT LAWLEY WA 6929

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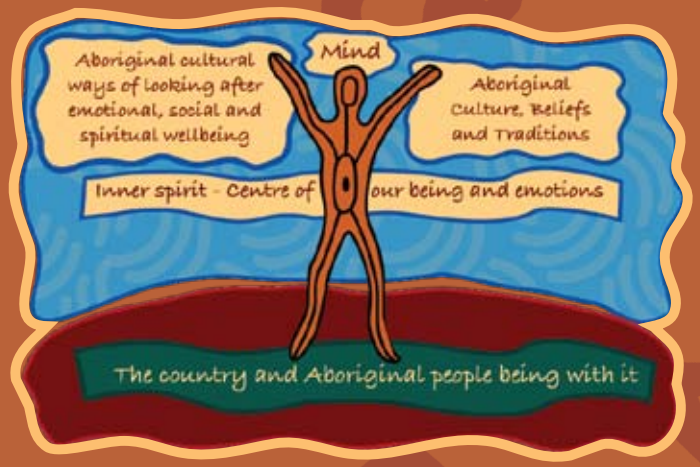

The Aboriginal Withdrawal Unit provides a culturally secure service which meets the needs of Aboriginal people withdrawing from alcohol and/or other drugs.

Staff working on the four-bed residential unit include doctors, nurses, Aboriginal drug and alcohol workers, and other support professionals.

The service treats people with respect, empathy and understanding whilst taking into account that alcohol and other drug use can affect many different areas of their life.

The residential program supports the client to look at the impact that alcohol and other drug use has on themselves, their family and community, and introduces strategies for relapse prevention. It is also possible to have a designated support person who can reside within the unit or visit on a daily basis.

Agencies with Aboriginal clients in need of medical withdrawal from drugs and/or alcohol can access the Aboriginal Withdrawal Unit by contacting the Clinical Nurse Specialist to discuss the referral.

Referrals can be made by Drug and Alcohol Services, Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisations or by Government and Non Government Organisations.

Contact for referrals:
Clinical Nurse Specialist
Ph: (08) 9219 1877