

How would participation in the Tirkandi Inaburra Cultural & Development programs benefit this young person?
To your knowledge does this young person have a history of placements over the past 2 years? If so please specify the placement and length in each placement:
From your observation of the young person do you believe they are genuinely interested in being “challenged” and would be committed to learning and taking responsibility for their own actions and lives?
To your knowledge does this young person have a history of involvement with the Department of Community Services? ie past / current DOCS care/ orders and / or The Department of Juvenile Justice? ie past / current /offences, bail orders or charges pending: If so please include (or attach) a complete history of previous care orders:
To your knowledge does the young person have any history of past incidents of violent behaviour or chronic problems with violent behaviour?

I confirm that I / We:

- Have a clear understanding of **Tirkandi Inaburra's** philosophy, purpose, assessment criteria and programs
- Have considered the information and believe that the young person named in this sponsorship form is suitable for **Tirkandi Inaburra's** program
- Have provided the young person with information about **Tirkandi Inaburra** and the young person is interested in making application to **Tirkandi Inaburra**
- Consulted with **Tirkandi Inaburra** staff re availability of places in the program/ general suitability
- Consulted the family / guardian / carer of the young person to ensure that they also support the application to **Tirkandi Inaburra** and my / our sponsorship of the applicant

Signed:

Date:

Comments:

Additional Documentation Required by Sponsoring Agencies

Attached are the following additional documents to support this referral
(Please circle):

- Signed consent form by the young person's Parent(s) / Legal Guardian.
- Relevant reports for assessment, case and risk management.
- Recommendations for sustainable support strategies following the young person's graduation from **Tirkandi Inaburra**.

2 The Roles and Responsibilities of Sponsors

A Sponsor must be committed to supporting and contributing to the participant's case management during the program and on exit from the program.

Applicants may be sponsored by a family or community member or by a government or non-government agency. Their role and responsibilities are listed below. Where these apply only to sponsoring agencies rather than family/community sponsors these are followed by **.

2.1 Before acceptance into the program sponsors are responsible for:

- Ensuring they have a clear understanding of **Tirkandi Inaburra's** philosophy, purpose, assessment criteria and programs which will be available from **Tirkandi Inaburra** or on line at www.tirkandi.org.au
- Identifying young people who are suitable for the **Tirkandi Inaburra's** program.
- Providing the young person with information about **Tirkandi Inaburra** and consulting with the young person to ensure that the young person is interested in making application to **Tirkandi Inaburra**.
- Consulting **Tirkandi Inaburra** re availability of places in the program/ general suitability.
- Consulting the family / guardian / carer to ensure that they also support the application to Tirkandi Inaburra and your sponsorship of the applicant.
- Submission of a completed Sponsorship Form that has attached the required, relevant background information and reports for assessment, case management and risk management and identifying and recommending sustainable support strategies following the program **.
- Assisting in identifying a suitable community venue for interviewing of applicant by **Tirkandi Inaburra** staff, and providing support with this process as required eg transport to the nominated regional venue for the assessment interview.
- Entering into formal interagency partnerships with Tirkandi Inaburra (eg. MOU with DoCS re CMART model) **.

Tirkandi Inaburra strongly encourages sponsors to accompany the young person to the formal Open Day to be conducted approximately six (6) weeks before each intake of participants.

2.2 During the program sponsors are responsible for:

- Being available for ongoing liaison with **Tirkandi Inaburra** in relation to the participant's progress at the Centre.
- Visiting the Centre as required to encourage and support the participant and attending the participant's Graduation Ceremony at completion of the program.
- Being available and participating in formulating the Individual Exit Plan for the participant you have sponsored.
- Participating in multi-agency conferences to negotiate exit plans (usually via teleconference) **.
- Delivering programs relating to your agency's core business, for example; **.
 - Health Services – health assessments, Doctor (AMS), workshops on boys / men's health, drug and alcohol education, etc.

Examples continued:

- DJJ - ongoing supervision / case management of DJJ clients.
- DoCS - ongoing Case Management role with DOCS clients .
- Land Councils/Aboriginal Organisations - cultural activities, Elders programs, arts and craft programs.
- Department of Sport & Recreation - sports programs.

2.3 Following graduation from the program sponsors are responsible for:

- Undertaking a lead agency/primary support role in the exit plan.
- Actively participating in a whole of government approach to the provision of support for young people **.
- If chosen by the participant being available to mentor the participant on exit from the Centre.
- Promoting the program to other relevant staff within the agency **.
- Participating in the evaluation and monitoring process after graduation from **Tirkandi Inaburra** for a minimum period of 2 years.