Providing leadership in ethics and protocols for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander research

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AIATSIS is pleased to announce the release of the _AIATSIS Code of Ethics for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Research (AIATSIS Code of Ethics)_ in conjunction with _A guide to applying the AIATSIS Code of Ethics for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Research (the Guide)_. These documents will supersede and replace the _Guidelines for Ethical Research in Australian Indigenous Studies_ 2012 (GERAIS).

The AIATSIS Code of Ethics is issued under the authority of our governing legislation which requires AIATSIS to provide leadership in ethics and protocols for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander research and activities related to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander collections.

The AIATSIS Code of Ethics is structured according to four principles that underpin ethical and responsible Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander research (see below). These four principles are Indigenous self-determination, Indigenous leadership, impact and value, and sustainability and accountability. Each principle includes a set of responsibilities for conducting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander research, with integrity at the core.

The AIATSIS Code and the Guide are supported by online resources, including case studies, tools and templates that are available on the AIATSIS ethics website. These will be released over the next 12 months. For more information please visit https://aiatsis.gov.au/ethics or contact ethics@aiatsis.gov.au.