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AH&MRC Announces Appointment of New Chair and Deputy Chair

The Aboriginal Health & Medical Research Council (AH&MRC) is pleased to announce the appointment of Jamie Newman as the new Chair and Kristine Falzon as the new Deputy Chair of our organisation.

Jamie Newman, a proud Wiradjuri man, currently serves as the Chief Executive Officer of Orange Aboriginal Medical Service (OAMS). Jamie has been dedicated to the health industry since 1998, holding various director positions with AH&MRC and Bila Muuji Regional Aboriginal Health Service. He is a former Council Member for Charles Sturt University (CSU).

Kristine Falzon is a proud Ghummeah, WandiWandian, Wodi Wodi, Walbunja Woman with family ties to the Jerrinja, Wreck Bay, and Wallaga Lake communities along the South Coast of NSW. She currently serves as a member of the Chief Executive Leadership Team (Policy & Operations) at Waminda, South Coast Women's Health & Wellbeing Aboriginal Corporation in the Shoalhaven, Co-chair for ACI ACCN, and Chair of Cancer Australia Our Mob and Cancer Expert Working Group. Over the past 15 years at Waminda, Kristine has contributed to various health and wellbeing roles. She is a passionate advocate for her community, championing self-determined, culturally informed, holistic strength-based health and wellbeing care.

The AH&MRC is dedicated to ensuring that Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Services (ACCHSs) in NSW are sustainable, driving holistic and culturally strong approaches to address health inequities. By implementing robust governance processes and collaborating closely with the Board, member organisations, and communities statewide, AH&MRC fulfills its leadership role in Aboriginal health and education. The new appointments of Chair and Deputy will advance AH&MRC's vision, foster innovation, and strengthen its renowned initiatives.

Under the leadership and experience of Jamie Newman and Kristine Falzon, AH&MRC is prepared to continue making significant strides in enhancing health outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

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