

PROVIDING AEROMEDICAL CARE TO REMOTE INDIGENOUS COMMUNITIES



Royal Flying Doctor Service

FLYING DOCTOR AEROMEDICAL STATISTICS SHOW:

17,606

**INDIGENOUS AUSTRALIANS
UNDERWENT AN RFDS
AEROMEDICAL RETRIEVAL**



Between 1 July 2013 and 31 December 2015.

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**INDIGENOUS PATIENTS ARE
TRANSPORTED BY THE RFDS EVERY DAY**



Transportation is to a tertiary hospital for definitive care for an illness or injury.

**INDIGENOUS
CHILDREN
AGED 0-4 YEARS**

make up 40%
of Indigenous
aeromedical retrievals
for respiratory
diseases such as
pneumonia, bronchitis
and asthma.

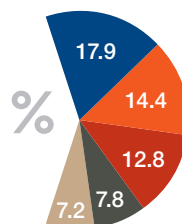


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**OF INDIGENOUS
AEROMEDICAL RETRIEVALS
FOR INJURIES ARE FOR
ADULTS AGED 20-29 YEARS**



**COMMON REASONS FOR INDIGENOUS
AEROMEDICAL RETRIEVAL BY THE RFDS**



Injury, poisoning and certain other consequences of external causes

Diseases of the circulatory system

Diseases of the respiratory system

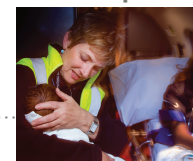
Diseases of the digestive system

Pregnancy/childbirth

Indigenous health in remote and rural Australia can be improved.

Specific, evidence-based illness and injury prevention strategies, delivered with cultural competency, are vital.

Data from multiple sources



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Less Biting, More Caring and Caring Gals

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