AMHP referral process

As referred to in this flowchart, the abbreviation 'Wadja' refers to the Wadja Health Clinic which is a service of the Wadja Aboriginal Family Place at RCH, and AMHP refers to the Aboriginal Mental Health Program (formerly the Developmental Neuropsychiatry Program) which is a specialist service of RCH Mental Health.

Wadja case manager/consultant submits a referral to the AMHP via the hospital's Electronic Medical Records (EMR) system and this is received by the AMHP administration officer



Referral is triaged by the AMHP psychiatrist and in consultation with the senior AMHP psychologist



Once the referral is accepted and notification occurs through EMR, the referral is entered on a waitlist for allocation to an AMHP clinician



AMHP clinician contacts the parent/carer to discuss referral, outline assessment process, obtain initial verbal consent to proceed, and arranges an appointment



AMHP clinician conducts a multi-informant assessment



AMHP psychiatrist conducts a primary consultation interview with the parent/carer and then provides formal write up of this session to them (this is also later added to the AMHP report)



AMHP clinician writes a draft AMHP report



AMHP clinician liaises with the referring Wadja case manager/consultant to discuss results and seek input.



AMHP clinician liaises, as needed, with the current *Koori Social and Emotional Wellbeing Officer* (part of RCH Mental Health and located at Wadja)



AMHP clinician liaises with other AMHP team members to have report approved and co-signed



AMHP clinician arranges feedback session with parent/carer to discuss assessment results/recommendations and provides draft report to them



Once report is approved by the parent/carer, a final copy is placed on the EMR system and final version provided to the Wadja case manager/consultant



After short-term therapy and/or medication prescribing advice, if no further contact is needed, AMHP closes the referral. Care continues with Wadja including ongoing paediatric reviews and medication treatment (if needed). Wadja can contact the AMHP for secondary consultation support as needed.