



## **Message from the AILC Chair**

4 December 2017

“It is with regret that the Board of the Australian Indigenous Leadership Centre (AILC) announces that our current CEO Belinda Gibb will be standing down from her role due to personal family reasons.

Belinda’s last day in her official capacity will be Wednesday 6th December. However, Belinda will be working on a part time consultant basis over the next month to assist the Board to appoint and onboard an Interim CEO, and to assist with the implementation of our new funding proposal and the early design of the new AILC Strategic Business Plan.

The Board will appoint an incoming CEO on a 6 month Interim basis from January to June 2018 whilst we work through our strategic review and the implementation of any new business model required to secure the future strength and growth of the AILC.

Until that appointment, the AILC Executive Manager who will hold CEO and ASQA delegations and authority will be our current CFO Mark Bateman. Mark will work closely with our Chair Cath Brokenborough to ensure that relevant strategic decisions and actions are executed and supported through this period.

AILC staff will continue to report through to, and be managed by, our current COO Lisa Sarago, who remains the Executive Manager responsible for the operations of the RTO, including the scheduling and delivery of our 2018 courses.

We are sorry to see Belinda leave us as she has made a valuable contribution to the identification of new clients, the development of new partnerships and concepts for new course offerings which will enable the AILC to operate more flexibly and independently from a solely Government reliant funded model.

Belinda has kept the organisation steady during a period of organisational churn and change. She is leaving the organisation in a healthier state than she inherited, and she has carried out her work and the instructions of the Board with the best interests of the organisation and our students and Alumni always at heart.

We wish her well in her future endeavours and thank her very much for her commitment and leadership at the AILC.”

**Cath Brokenborough, Chair**