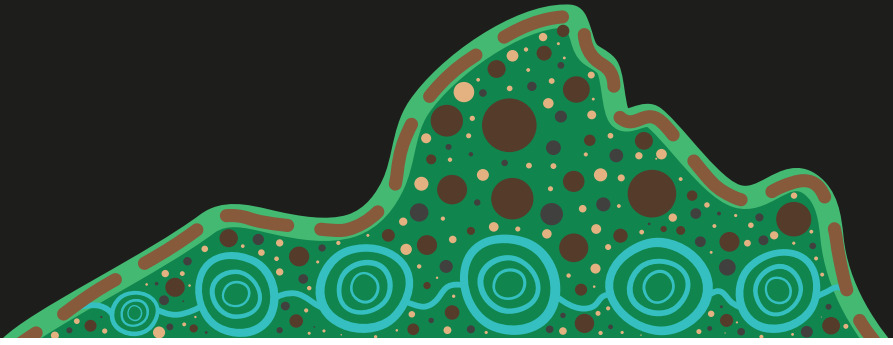




Accountability

Ways to drive change



The accountability mechanisms in the National Agreement are not enough to drive change.

Governments must be accountable for:

- Sticking to the commitments they have made under the Agreement, and for the times they have acted against the Agreement.
- Making changes and truly transforming across departments and government agencies.
- Improving public sector relationships with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

New proposed Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice, Treaty and Truth bodies can:

- Shine a spotlight on good and bad practices.
- Advocate for appropriate policies, programs, and services.

Some of the steps required to drive change in the public sector are:

- Giving a senior leader or leadership group the job of pushing change across each state and territory.
- Changing employment requirements of all public sector staff.
- Making changes to Cabinet, Budget, funding and contracting processes to include Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander perspectives.
- Publishing completed stocktakes, agreements, evaluations and other documents developed under the Agreement.

To improve life outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people the accountability mechanisms need to have bite to influence the type and scale of change needed.

Have your say



How else can governments be held accountable?

- Creating new commissioners in key sectors, such as Aboriginal Children's Commissioners?
- Which senior leader or leadership group should be given the job of pushing change?
- Should Priority Reform 3's independent mechanism oversee the whole Agreement?



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