

## Kristy Payne

Kristy Payne is a research officer with the University of Western Sydney's Rural Clinical School in Bathurst, NSW. In this role, Kristy works closely with the Orange Aboriginal Medical Service (OAMS) to support research in the area of Aboriginal health as well as contributing to the school's research in rural medicine. Kristy is involved in a broad range of research projects covering topics such as population health, health service evaluation, health service access, youth health perspectives, and health attitudes and behaviours. Kristy has a background in psychology and epidemiology with several years experience in youth mental health research. She has an interest in both qualitative and quantitative research methodologies for exploring the health of rural and regional populations and their access to health services and prevention.