

Melissa Stoneham

Dr Melissa Stoneham is the Deputy Director of the Public Health Advocacy Institute of WA (PHAIWA). PHAIWA is an independent public health voice based within Curtin University, that aims to raise the public profile and understanding of public health, develop local networks and create a state-wide umbrella organisation capable of influencing public health policy and political agendas. Advocating for Aboriginal health particularly in rural and remote areas is a key priority for the organisation. Melissa has over 25 years' experience in public health, working with local, state and federal government agencies, the University sector and International Aid Agencies. Melissa's career highlights include 2 years working in the Pacific on an alcohol and young people harm minimisation project and 12 months working in Mozambique on a medical waste project. She has 2 young children and enjoys travelling.