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Maggie has had a long interest in social justice, especially in health care and in the health of under-serviced populations. This interest developed in the 13 years she worked for Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Services in the Kimberly. Maggie became interested in teaching population health and prevention strategies, particularly in primary care settings to health professionals. Her interest in racism in health care evolved particularly with the JCU action research project ‘Bulletproofing Indigenous Health Students and Staff Against Racism’ and in JCU Faculty of Medicine, Health and Molecular Sciences activity that promotes cultural safety and promotes effective management of racism in class and health care settings.

She has recently become involved in the STAR Project, initiated by JCU Health Faculty staff and students. STAR stands for ‘Stand Together Against Racism’ in health. This project aims to focus attention onto racism in health care. The STAR Project is founded on the observation that most health staff abhor racism, but often feel constrained to deal with it when they see it.