



**MEDIA RELEASE**

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## **Council President returns to health role**

Barkly Regional Council (BRC) is pleased to announce the appointment of Council President Barb Shaw as General Manager of Anyinginyi Health Aboriginal Corporation (AHAC).

President Shaw has served as a councillor for the Barkly Regional Council since amalgamations in 2008 and was elected by popular vote to the position of President at the 24 March 2012 Local Government elections.

She was also elected to a casual vacancy on the Local Government Association of the Northern Territory (LGANT) in May 2012 and still remains an Executive Member.

President Shaw is currently a member of the Regional Economic Development Committee for Tennant Creek and the Barkly region and in February 2014 was appointed by the NT Government as chair of the Tennant Creek Regional Alcohol Reference Group (ARG).

Born and raised in Alice Springs, Barb has spent the last 20 years living and working in the Barkly region where she has been a champion of community health and worked for Anyinginyi in various roles.

Barb, who will continue her role as President of BRC, commences her new position at Anyinginyi on 20 April.

"I am both passionate about and committed to community and regional development and believe change can only occur through meaningful community relations," said President Shaw.

"I look forward to my new position and my continued commitment to council, forging strong links between both organisations.

BRC CEO Edwina Marks congratulated President Shaw on her appointment to this significant local organisation. "We welcome no doubt what will be the continuation of great work by Anyinginyi under her leadership and stronger partnerships between AHAC and BRC," said Dr Marks.

"On behalf of operations I offer my congratulations to Barb in the beginning of another chapter of a long and prosperous contribution to Anyinginyi."

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