

Submission to Yoorrook Justice Commission

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Submission:

What do you know about the colonisation of Victoria and its impacts on First Peoples?

I know that the First peoples were oppressed in all ways imaginable. I know that First peoples were seen as less human which is and was disgusting.

What has been your experience learning about First Nations history and culture in Victoria's education system? Do you feel it was comprehensive?

All I learnt at school was the First peoples ate bush food, have boomerangs and digereidos. It was only in Senior high school that I self learnt about the Stolen generations

What changes would you like to see in Victoria to promote better understanding and respect for First People's?

More comprehensive teaching of First Peoples culture in primary and secondary schools.

In what ways do you think non-First Nations Victorians can contribute to the process of truth-telling and treaty?

We, the truth tellers of Victoria, especially us as Health professionals are witness to the injustices in healthcare when it comes to the First peoples community.

In what ways could First Peoples history and culture be promoted in Victoria?

Taught better at school Taught at university Taught at the corporate level

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