

MEMBER'S PROFILE

AUSTRALIAN INDUSTRY GROUP

HELEN CAVE – REGIONAL CAREER ADVISOR

The Australian Industry Group – AiGroup - is a not for profit industry association providing an array of services to its members. Some of these include policy and representation, member information services and facilities to assist members to grow their business. One of the contracts AiGroup currently manages is the Career Advice Australia (CAA) program, funded by the Department of Employment, Education and Workplace Relations (DEEWR). Helen Cave is one of the 28 Regional Industry Career Advisers (RICA's) funded under this program to facilitate industry engagement with education across Australia. Helen's role addresses skills shortage needs within her regions and she initiates projects which provide opportunities for young people to engage with local businesses in an array of areas including work experience, structured workplace learning and mentoring.



Career Advice Australia achieves this through:

- **Local Community Partnerships** – which assist all schools? Local businesses, community organisations and industry bodies to deliver career development and transition support services to help all young people gains skills, experience, professional guidance and access to industry-based career information.
- **Regional Industry Career Advisers** - in 57 service regions, which ensure that young people, parents, schools and local business receive relevant localised industry career information, advice and resources.
- **National Industry Career Specialist**, representing 10 Industry sectors, which support the Regional Industry Career Advisers by providing industry sector-specific information.
- **Youth Pathways** - which offer personalised services to assist young people that are at risk of not making it through school and onto further education, training or employment?
- **Connections** formerly known as (POEM) which provides young people who are disconnected from mainstream schooling with another chance at learning through flexible and accredited education and training options.

As the representative of AI Group and Career Advice Australia, Helen attends the SEQICC networking events to help educate and create awareness of opportunities that Career Advice Australia can have for Indigenous Australians. In the area's that Helen oversees she has a substantial amount of students whom are of Indigenous background and finds that being connected to the Indigenous Chamber of Commerce will aid her with further networks and contacts to ensure younger Indigenous Australians are linked with Indigenous mentors and entrepreneurs.

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