

Introduction to the NT ICAC

Suitable for all Northern Territory Public Sector Employees with only a basic understanding of the ICAC

Course Duration – One hour

Course Cost – Nil

CLF level Alignment



Prerequisite

Nil – designed as an introduction to the NT Office of the Independent Commissioner Against Corruption.

Overview

The Northern Territory Office of the Independent Commissioner Against Corruption (ICAC) was established on 30 November 2018. Mr Ken Fleming QC was appointed as the ICAC in June 2018.

The Office of the ICAC is an investigative body with powers to investigate a wide range of improper conduct of persons / bodies previously outside the jurisdiction of Northern Territory ‘watchdog’ bodies. It serves to prevent corruption and guide the conduct of public officers, and works closely with public bodies and the community to achieve this.

The ICAC works independently from the direction of the NT Government and public sector.

The ICAC’s role is not to settle disputes and disagreements, or appeal decisions made by the Courts. It investigates the most serious, sensitive and systemic corrupt conduct of public officers and public agencies. This includes Members of the Legislative Assembly, courts, tribunals, independent officers, and organisations and bodies who receive government resources through contracts and grants.

The Introduction to the NT ICAC course has been designed to assist public sector employees understand the role and functions of the ICAC, as well as their obligation to report improper conduct to the ICAC. This program helps public sector employees to understand why the ICAC was established and the impact that improper conduct has on all Territorians.

Who should attend this course?

If you would like to better understand the ICAC and what it can and cannot investigate, this course explains what improper conduct is and how to report it. This course aims to help participants better understand the ICAC’s powers to identify and investigate improper conduct and the protections in place for those people who report improper conduct to the ICAC.

Learning Outcomes

At the conclusion of this course, participants should be able to:

- Understand the factors which cause improper conduct to occur and why the Office of the ICAC was established
- Recognise types of improper conduct, including corruption, misconduct, unsatisfactory conduct
- Understand how to report improper conduct to the ICAC and the protections that are in place for whistleblowers
- Understand the powers of the ICAC to investigate improper conduct
- Understand that there are serious consequences, including gaol time, for serious offences under the ICAC Act

Topics Covered

- Definitions of improper conduct
- Definitions of public officers and public bodies
- Mandatory reporting obligations for public officers and public bodies
- Whistleblower protection
- How to make a report

How to enrol?

Register via the ICAC website <https://icac.nt.gov.au/education-and-training/events>

To find out more about this course contact:

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