

## Fair Work Ombudsman team makes educational visit to Kalkarindji and Daguragu in NT

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For the first time, the Fair Work Ombudsman will visit the Northern Territory's remote Kalkarindji and Daguragu communities, almost 800km south-west of Darwin.

The three-member team will comprise the Assistant Director for South Australia Mr Aaron Rilstone, NT regional manager Ms Brodie Smith and a Darwin-based Fair Work inspector.

Local community members interested in understanding their workplace rights and obligations are encouraged to meet at the Vic Daly Shire Council's old health clinic from 10.30am next Tuesday, November 16 and again on Wednesday, November 17.

The Fair Work Ombudsman can explain the role and function of the Agency and how it can assist both employers and workers alike.

The most common complaints from workers relate to underpayment of minimum hourly rates, penalty rates for early morning and late shifts, weekends and public holidays.

The Fair Work Ombudsman's Darwin-based regional manager, Ms Brodie Smith, says it is important the Agency is pro-active in reaching remote and rural communities to raise public awareness about workplace issues, including discrimination.

NT inspectors have recently conducted field visits and information sessions in Tennant Creek, Katherine and Alice Springs.

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