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Tommy, Julie

Occupation Child welfare worker

Summary

Julie Tommy, of Innawongia descent, grew up on the Onslow Native Welfare Reserve where her family was relocated from their traditional land in the Tom Price/Paraburdoo area of Western Australia. Her primary school years were spent in a native welfare hostel near the Onslow Reserve, and she had little interaction with her family.

Tommy commenced a social work degree at Curtin University before working with the Western Australian Aboriginal Child Care Agency (ACCA) from 1980 to 1986. She became Coordinator of the Agency and attended national conferences on child care.

Published resources

Book
The Black Grapevine: Aboriginal Activism and the Stolen Generations, Briskman, Linda, 2003

Resource
Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

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