Pansy Napaljarri Rose (Marlkirdi):



Marlkirdi is a Warlpiri woman who works as an advisor and part time researcher with the Institute of Human Security and Social Change (IHSSC). Pansy is a qualified teacher and highly experienced Warlpiri educator.

She is currently helping to co-design a Warlpiri-led impact assessment methodology that will help Warlpiri track community change over the next 5 years in Lajamanu, a remote community in Central Australia.

She also supports the Warlpiri Education and Training Trust, which she helped set up 20 years ago, to do its own Yapa (Indigenous) led 'Yitaki maninjaku manu warrirninjaku manu pina-jarrinjaku' (tracking and learning). As she says, "We have our own Yapa ways of watching closely to assess how things are going, giving encouragement and feedback so things can improve, and sharing information through stories and paintings. But Kardiya [someone who is not an Aboriginal Australian] don't see this or maybe they don't understand it."