



SPEAQ FORUM 2024

Curiosity, Challenge, and Change: *Opening space for new possibilities*



voco Gold Coast, 31 HAMILTON AVENUE, SURFERS PARADISE
WEDNESDAY 13 NOVEMBER – FRIDAY 15 NOVEMBER
Pre-Forum workshops 13/11. Forum Days: 14/11 and 15/11

Two Day tickets (Thurs & Fri): MEMBERS / NON-MEMBERS: \$550 / \$600 incl GST
Single Day tickets: (Thurs or Fri) : MEMBERS / NON-MEMBERS: \$280 / \$310 incl GST
Pre-Forum Workshops (Wed) : MEMBERS / NON-MEMBERS: \$130 / \$160 incl GST
Discounts available for groups of 8 or more.



The SPEAQ Forum is Qld's practitioner oriented, interactive conference bringing together Domestic and Family Violence workers involved in interventions with those who perpetrate abuse. We welcome facilitators, counsellors and advocates working with partners and family members, as well as those in related support and management roles.

SPEAQ acknowledges the Kombumerri people as the Traditional Custodians of the land and waters of the Gold Coast where the SPEAQ Forum 2024 will be held, and pays respects to elders past, present and emerging.



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Information Sheet

PROGRAMME and REGISTRATION

The programme is currently in development. For current event info and registration visit speaq.org.au/forum2024

VENUE

Our venue, voco Gold Coast, is in a perfect location at Surfers Paradise on the Gold Coast, just one block from the beach, with views to the hinterland and really easy transport options. Gold Coast was chosen by membership this year as the regional city, outside of Brisbane, to host this year's event. Our venue markets itself as family friendly, so you can stay the weekend and make it a holiday!

TRANSPORT AND PARKING

Public transport options: Use the [Translink](https://www.translink.com.au) website or mobile app to find details for travel to the venue. The Surfers Paradise G:link light rail station is right beside the hotel. Parking is available under the hotel for \$25 per day, or at the nearby [Bruce Bishop carpark](https://www.brucebishopcarpark.com.au) for \$16 per day (less for early arrival).

WHERE TO STAY

Whether you live locally, are flying into Gold Coast, or taking a road trip, this year's venue is centrally located and there are many accommodation options within Surfers Paradise, Broadbeach, Main Beach and Southport. To stay onsite at voco Gold Coast, [you can book on their website](https://www.voco.com.au) or call 07 5588 8333. Please note a special link to access the discounted rate of \$205 per night will be available to Forum attendees. Details will be provided when you register.

FLIGHTS

You may like to fly into the Gold Coast Airport and catch public transport or an uber to the venue. Or fly into Brisbane Airport and catch the airport train from Brisbane to the Gold Coast. Jump onto the G:Link light rail service at Helensvale station and go straight to the hotel door. To track flight prices, go to [Skyscanner](https://www.skyscanner.com.au) or [google.com/travel/flights](https://www.google.com/travel/flights), enter your departure City, dates and select 'track prices' to receive price alerts via email.

MEMBER PRESENTATIONS

SPEAQ members will be invited to submit expressions of interest to present sessions at the Forum. This is a great opportunity to share your work with others as well as being a valuable professional development opportunity. Submit your EOI [here](#)! Applications will close Friday 16 August.

TRAVEL SUBSIDIES

SPEAQ Forum organisers are keen to make this event accessible and inclusive. We are offering a travel subsidy (up to \$800) to support people to attend from right across Queensland, and ensure we have truly state-wide Forum participation. SPEAQ members (including employees of member organisations) are eligible and a limited number of places are available. Applications close Friday 13 September. Here's the [Travel Subsidy Application Form](#).

Non-members: you can [apply for membership](#) first and then apply for the travel subsidy once membership is approved and paid!

THINGS TO DO ON THE GOLD COAST WHILE YOU'RE VISITING

Here's a few suggestions!

[Things to do in Surfers Paradise](#)

[Best free things to do in Surfers Paradise](#)

[30 free things to do on the Gold Coast](#)

Supporting Family Safety – Working with Men to End Domestic and Family Violence