SERVICES AND PRACTITIONERS FOR THE ELIMINATION OF ABUSE QUEENSLAND

SPEAQ FORUM 2026

Queering Practice: Foundations of working for and with LGBTIQA+ people in violence prevention and responses

WORKSHOP CONTENT

The aim of this workshop is to create a space for practitioners in the violence prevention and response work to build relationships with each other and create dialogue focused on working with and for LGBTIQA+ people and communities. Bringing together theory, practice, and lived experience, this workshop will assist practitioners and leaders in expanding knowledge to inform practice. It will invite attendees to critically reflect on how their own marginalisation or privileges may show up in the work.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Both those in leadership and direct service delivery will benefit from this workshop. Your presenters come the DFV behaviour change intervention space and DFSV victim-survivor support work, and aim to bring value to both those working with persons using violence, and those affected by their violence.

This interactive workshop will support you to:

- Recognise unique dynamics and tactics of abuse relevant to LGBTIQA+ relationships
- Describe one's own privilege in terms of gender, sex, and sexuality, where relevant, and how it can show up in the work.
- Identify appropriate referral pathways and points of intervention where clients can engage in support.

What do previous participants say they enjoy:

"Challenging my own privilege, reflecting on what my service can do to be a safer place for LGBTQIA+ clients."

"The facilitator's depth of knowledge and openness about own experience."

"Heaps of useful information and really highlighted gaps in service/workplace and what I can do to advocate/support in this space."

BILLIE STIMPSON



DR BRODIE EVANS



Billie Stimpson (they/them) is the Secretary for Queer & Trans Workers Against Violence (QTWAV), a sector capacity building initiative of LGBTIQASB+ workers from across DFV, SV and LGBTIQASB+ community-led organisations in South East QLD. Billie is also a current Research Assistant with QUT Centre for Justice on a research project examining the experiences of LGBTIQA+ facilitators of mainstream men's behaviour change programs. They bring 15 years of practice experience in community organisations, with a passion in collaborative and community-led practice.

Dr Brodie Evans (they/he) is a founding member of QTWAV. They have over 9 years' experience working in the DFV behaviour intervention space, including program development and facilitation of both mainstream and LGBTIQA+ specific group programs. With a PhD in Criminology, Brodie is a Visiting Fellow at QUT Centre for Justice and contributes to research in the Queer Research Group exploring issues relevant to queer criminology, gender and violence.

This workshop is being delivered in partnership with QTWAV, which receives financial support from the QLD State Government.

QTWAV QUEER & TRANS WORKERS AGAINST VIOLENCE

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EVENT INFORMATION

Date: **Wednesday 7 October 2026**

Time: 8:30am to 12noon

Venue: Hotel Grand Chancellor Townsville, Flinders Street, Townsville QLD 4810

Registration includes morning tea and post-workshop lunch.

Registration Cost:

- SPEAQ members: $130
- Non-members: $160

Register at **speaq.org.au/forum2026**
Registrations close **Sunday 30/08/2026**

Note: The above link goes to registration for all events connected with SPEAQ Forum. This training is being organised as a pre-forum workshop, However you are welcome to attend this workshop as a stand-alone training.

Supporting Change and Safety – Ending Domestic and Family Violence through behaviour change practice, leadership and advocacy