

Women's Advocacy Professional Development Day



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Women's Advocacy is an essential component of men's domestic and family violence intervention programs. It is a distinct and specialised role within the DFV sector, and presents unique challenges and rewards. **This first ever full day professional development event for Women's Advocates** has been designed and developed by advocates for advocates, to meet the diverse professional development needs of workers in this specialist role. **It will be** a day of connection, support, reflection, practice development and sharing of information and practice wisdom.

THE PROGRAM

- **Group connection:** a variety of energising activities for connection and getting to know each other.
- **Increasing practice knowledge:** a sharing of practice wisdom using real situations faced by advocates.
- **Advocacy, influence, resourcing and power:** considering theory, practice and our own experience of the work, a step back to reflect on our work and re-centre our efforts, consider our boundaries and reconnect with our values.
- **Responding to women at high risk of injury or death:** Assessing and responding to risk in a trauma-informed way, effective safety planning, overcoming obstacles, working with women experiencing compounded risk factors.
- **Holding and Sharing Risk: Complications, Learnings, Strategies:** Integrating information from the day by considering a case study in depth.
- **Closing and Next Steps:** self-care, reflections and plans to continue the connection and interaction from this historic gathering.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Women's Advocates (partner/family contact workers) working in connection with men's DFV behaviour change intervention programs.

WHAT'S INCLUDED?

Morning and afternoon teas, Lunch and great company.
Go to speaq.org.au/adv-pd for more info.



Your facilitator and fellow advocate:

Susan Swain

Susan Swain has worked in Australia and overseas at local, state and national levels for over a decade in DV specific roles working to end men's violence against women, including a couple of stints as women's advocate. Some of her interests include intersectional and allied social justice activism, de-stigmatising mental ill health and technology-facilitated abuse. Susan is currently working as a technology safety trainer for WESNET.

DATE & TIME
25th October 2019
9:00 am to 4:30 pm

VENUE
Mercy Place
371 Simpsons Rd, Bardon

INVESTMENT
SPEAQ MEMBERS: \$200 inc GST
NON-MEMBERS: \$220 inc GST

REGISTRATION
Go to speaq.org.au/adv-pd
Closes 17th October.

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