

# SPEAQ FORUM 2022

Breaking the mould: Progressing our responses to diversity

12th ANNUAL NETWORKING AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT EVENT



CAIRNS COLONIAL CLUB RESORT, 18-26 CANNON ST, CAIRNS
THURSDAY, 10<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER - FRIDAY, 11<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER
Pre-conference workshops: WEDNESDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER









BOTH DAYS: SPEAQ MEMBERS / NON-MEMBERS: \$450 / \$500 ONE DAY ONLY: SPEAQ MEMBERS / NON-MEMBERS: \$250 / \$275

Pre-conference Workshops: \$66 to \$85

**Prices include GST** 



Bringing together local, Queensland, national and international expertise

SPEAQ acknowledges the Yirrganydji People and the Gimuy Walubara Yidinji People as the Traditional Custodians of the Land where SPEAQ Forum 2022 will be held, and pays respects to elders past, present and emerging.



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SERVICES AND PRACTITIONERS FOR THE ELIMINATION OF ABUSE OUEENSLAND

### Information Sheet

#### **ABOUT SPEAQ**

Services and Practitioners for the Elimination of Abuse Queensland (SPEAQ), is the state-wide network for people involved in **intervention work with men who have used domestic and family violence**. For nearly 30 years we have supported each other to strengthen our work in ending men's domestic and family violence and increasing the safety and wellbeing of women and children.

#### PROGRAMME AND REGISTRATION

The theme for this year's Forum is about **change**, **growth and diversity**. We're seeing diversity broadly – recognising the important considerations of serving marginalised populations as well as considering diversity in the mainstream – in individual needs, relationship and behaviour patterns among the persons and families we work with; the diversity of approaches to the work; and the diversity of intervention types emerging.

Hear from special guests Steve Halley and Dorthy Stucky-Halley of the <u>Family Peace Initiative</u> in Kansas, members of the <u>Women's Safety and Justice</u> <u>Taskforce</u>, First Nations practitioners, and practitioners from across Old and interstate.

Learn more about responding to **coercive control**, **trauma-responsive** practice, **First Nations** ways of working, **IPV among young people**, a new look at **Victim Advocacy** and other hot topics in practice.

This year's programme includes a number of events around the main two-day Forum programme: low cost **Pre-conference Workshops** on Wed 9/11, a **Conference Dinner** on Thurs 10/11, and a **Breakfast hosted by Challenge DV** on Fri 11/11. Costs for the entire event have been kept to a minimum to make this event accessible to workers across Qld and interstate.

#### **ACCOMMODATION**

Whether you live locally, are flying into Cairns, or are taking a road trip, this year's venue is centrally located with affordable rooms so you can stay, network, and relax all in one place!

Book a room for around \$130 per night: cairnscolonialclub.com.au/accommodation

The Cairns Sheridan Hotel, Crystal Garden Resort & Restaurant and NRMA Cairns Holiday Park are other nearby and affordable options.

#### **FLIGHTS**

Flights are currently reasonably priced, with the Forum date is just outside the peak season for Cairns. Note: prices can vary considerably depending on your day and time of travel.

To track prices, go to <u>Skyscanner</u> or <u>google.com/travel/flights</u>, enter your departure City, dates and select 'track prices' to receive price alerts via email.

#### TRAVEL SUBSIDIES

SPEAQ Forum organisers are keen to make this event accessible and inclusive. A travel subsidy scheme (subsidy up to \$400) is available 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) will be eligible and a limited number of places will be available. Download an application form from <a href="https://www.speaq.org.au/forum2022">www.speaq.org.au/forum2022</a>. The closing date for applications is Friday 21/10/22.

For all event and registration details visit www.speaq.org.au/forum2022

#### THINGS TO DO IN CAIRNS

Take advantage of your travel to Cairns, and stay a little longer to explore the richness of tropical Far North Queensland.

**Take a walk in the Cairns Botanic Gardens**. It's free and a 5 minute drive or 25 minute walk from the Venue. **Visit the Cairns Night Markets** open daily from 4:30PM. There's plenty of delicious food, drinks art and crafts, clothing and more on offer. Plus it's only a 10 minute drive from the Venue.

**Stay the weekend and take a ferry to Fitzroy Island** where you can relax by the beach, snorkel with turtles or hop on a Glass Bottom Boat. Check out <a href="https://bitsubschools.org/bitsubs