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QUEENSLAND

# SPEAQ Forum 2023 – Programme Schedule

## Pre-conference Workshops – Monday 30 October 2023

- 9:00 am **Working with Fathers using Family Violence, Ballroom**  
*This training explores the impact on children witnessing/experiencing abuse and how to shift the focus of interventions to the father's responsibility and accountability for safe parenting. It unpacks broader narratives that will often attribute responsibility for safety, security, and emotional wellbeing of children to the victim-survivor; and is underpinned by the current evidence base that has established an understanding of the gendered drivers of men's violence against women.*

Natasha Chandran, No To Violence

12:15 am

Lunch

- 1:00 pm **Introduction to the River of Cruelty model and a Typology of Motive in DFV, Ballroom**  
*This workshop provides an introduction to 2 unique ideas that can inform more effective DFV practice. The River of Cruelty is a model illustrating how cruelty is passed from person to person, and from generation to generation. It informs FPI's trauma-responsive way of working with those using DFV.  
FPI's Typology of Motive in DFV makes sense of the differences in DFV cases and is conceived from the voices of those experiencing violence and has clear links to risk and lethality. It provides practical information that can improve safety planning with adults and children, and intervention efforts with persons using violence.*

Dorothy Stucky Halley LMSW and Steve Halley LSCSW, Family Peace Initiative, Kansas, USA

4:30 pm **Close**

## Day 1 – Tuesday 31 October 2023

- 8:15 am **Registration, Ballroom**  
*onwards*  
*Note: sessions on both days will be held in the Ballroom unless otherwise noted.*
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- 8:45 am **Welcome to Country**  
Christopher Tosh Dawson, Turrbal Dippil
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- 9:00 am **Welcome Address**  
Dr Brodie Evans, SPEAQ Secretary
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- 9:10 am **Introductions & new connections** Dr Brodie Evans  
*Getting started - A session for connecting and building network relationships*
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- 9:25 am **Session 1 | Keynote: In Conversation with Dr Jackson Katz and Keith-Tracey Patte**, Challenge DV.  
*Opening pre-recorded conversation, followed by reflective conversation with the audience facilitated by Dr Brodie Evans.*

### 10:40 am Morning Tea

- 11:00 am **Session 2 | Panel: Working with men and boys outside of men's behaviour change group programs**  
*Moderated panel with diverse practitioners and contexts, and Q&A*
- Moderator: Professor Michael Flood, QUT Centre for Justice  
Alexander, Men's Wellbeing Common Ground Program and Anglicare, Brisbane  
David Egan, Institute for Urban Indigenous Health, Brisbane  
Max Mackenzie, Resilience Enterprise, Cairns  
Paul McKay, Basic Rights QLD/Boys to Men transitional programs, Brisbane

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| 12:05 pm | <b>Session 3A Member Presentation: Youth DFV and K.I.N.D.</b><br><i>Ballroom</i> | <b>Session 3B Member Presentation: What does Mensline do?</b><br><i>River Room</i> |
|          | Darcy Robertson and Ella Austin, Brisbane Youth Service (BYS)                    | Aaron Pridmore and Michelle Royes, DVConnect                                       |

### 12:35 pm Lunch

- 1:30 pm **Session 4 | Trauma-responsive practice: The Enlightened Witness and Golden Shadow Message**  
*Using an experiential approach, this workshop will explore the fundamentals of the Internal-focused dialogue, including working with feelings, connecting to the power of the "Golden Shadow Message" and understanding the power of Alice Miller's "Enlightened Witness". Participants will learn practical skills that can be applied immediately to their intervention work with those who have perpetrated DFV.*
- Steve Halley LSCSW & Dorthy Stucky Halley LMSW, Family Peace Initiative, Kansas.

### 3:30 pm Afternoon Tea

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**Session 5A Member Presentation:**  
The complex journey of behaviour  
change: Reflections on the Men  
Sustaining Change two-year pilot  
and evaluation, *Ballroom*

Chez Leggatt-Cook & Joanne Smith,  
UnitingCare Community (UCC)

**Session 5B Member Presentation:**  
Deep conversations – shaping and  
developing men’s space. The  
Toowoomba experience. *River Room*

Jennyne Dillon, Shane Kuhl, John Mair,  
Hayley Munroe, Valma Orton and Mark  
Donnelly, Domestic Violence Action  
Centre (DVAC)

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4:30 pm

Small group reflections on the day and then sharing with the larger group

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4:50 pm

Wrap-up and information

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5:00 pm

**Close**

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6:30 pm -  
10:00 pm

**Conference Dinner, Himalayan Café, New Farm**

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## Day 2 - Wednesday 1st November 2023

7:45 am onwards	<b>Registration, Ballroom</b> <i>Note: sessions on both days will be held in the Ballroom unless otherwise noted.</i>	
8:00 am	<b>Mindful movement and grounding - diving deep through embodied Heartfulness</b> , Dr Pee Tek Chan <i>An opportunity to start the day with a simple, subtle practice of awakening our consciousness through body movement awareness to take you to a deeper place inside yourself and prepare to make the most of the day. The session will start with a talk to introduce the practice.</i>	
9:00 am	<b>Welcome by Dr Brodie Evans</b> , SPEAQ Secretary	
9:05 am	<b>Welcome Address by Hon. Yvette D’Ath MP</b> , Attorney General and Minister for Justice, Minister for the Prevention of Domestic and Family Violence	
9:20 am	<b>Session 6   He Wero: A Challenge They Face</b> <i>Presenting insights into a kaupapa Māori approach to DFV and culturally competent practices within the context of DFV.</i> Jackie Burrows and Tanith Peterson, He Waka Tapu, New Zealand	
10:35 am	<b>Morning Tea</b>	
10:55 am	<b>Session 7A   Trauma responsive practice: The Funnel Conversation - A few questions toward Transformational Change</b> , Ballroom <i>Combining multiple trauma-responsive tools to facilitate an internal-focussed dialogue, the funnel conversation provides a roadmap for transformational change.</i>	<b>Parallel Session 7B   Conversations with Leaders: Attracting &amp; recruiting workers for now and the future</b> , River Room Louise Villanova and John Turrisi, WorkUP Queensland
11:25	Steve Halley LSCSW & Dorothy Stucky Halley LMSW, Family Peace Initiative, Kansas	<b>Parallel Session 7C   Conversations with Women’s Advocates</b> , River Room Facilitated by: Belinda Cox, Brisbane Domestic Violence Service
12:25 pm	<b>Lunch</b>	
1:15 pm	<b>Session 8   Doing our work to lead their work</b> <i>A critical discussion about facilitating difficult conversations in men’s groups with authenticity and authority – with a particular focus on sexual abuse in intimate relationships.</i> Dr Brian Sullivan, SICURA.	
2:45 pm	<b>Afternoon Tea</b>	

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3:00 pm **Session 9 | Hot Topics**

*Group activity where attendees workshop a response to a 'Hot Topic' of their choice in the Perpetrator Intervention space, in a facilitated small group.*

3:45 pm **Quiet Reflection Time**

4:00 pm **Closing remarks**

4:15 pm **Close**