

BUILDING PRACTITIONER CONFIDENCE & COMPETENCE IN WORKING WITH MEN WHO HAVE BEEN SEXUALLY ABUSED IN CHILDHOOD

Childhood sexual abuse can have profound and lasting impacts on the lives and relationships of females and males. This workshop is designed to build worker's confidence and competence, knowledge and skill in working with men who have been sexually abused in childhood (whether assaulted within institutional or community/familial settings).

Dr Gary Foster & Kent Smith will provide participants with practical tools and knowledge to help address this complex issue. To maximise opportunities for interaction and learning the workshop is limited to 26 participants. Copies of presentation material and links to useful resources will be supplied. The presenters are aware of the importance of taking care in discussing sexual violence, and the personal; and professional impact of work in this area. They emphasise choice and safety in creating a respectful learning environment.

Program details

Date	Friday 7 October 2016
Time	9.00am-4.30pm
Cost	\$150 plus GST = \$175
Venue	St James Parish Hall, cnr Russell & Mort Sts, Toowoomba

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More information

For more information please contact
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Workshop content

The training will draw on current research and best practice to enhance participant's professional knowledge and skills. Creative, interactive processes will be utilised to:

- Present what is currently known about male sexual victimisation, individual and contextual factors influencing prevalence, impacts and men's ways of coping
- Review barriers to disclosure and ways to overcome these
- Critically examine and work through recurring questions around gender, sexuality and the cycle of abuse
- Offer a trauma informed care framework with specific strategies for working with men who have been sexually victimised that acknowledges multiple impacts, prioritises safety and helps to diminish the influence of abuse in men's lives and relationships

About the facilitators

Dr Gary Foster's work and research centre on addressing the problems of violence. He is the founder/manager of Living Well which provides counselling and group support for men who have experienced childhood sexual abuse or sexual assault and their loved ones (www.livingwell.org.au). Gary has presented at national and international conferences in relation to working with men subjected to sexual violence. He has co-authored Living Well: A Guide for Men and developed the Living Well App.

Kent Smith is a Mental Health Social Worker based in Toowoomba. He has worked extensively with refugee survivors of torture and trauma and adults and children who have experienced interpersonal trauma. He provides consulting services to Living Well. He chooses to work in the area of trauma because of a strong belief that people who have experienced traumatic events do not have to be defined by them and can move into spaces of growth and positive relationships.

TAX INVOICE/REGISTRATION FORM

Date of Invoice: 27 July 2016

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Date of Training: Friday 7 October 2016, St James Hall, cnr. Mort & Russell Sts.,
Toowoomba, 9.00 am—4.30 pm (Registration 8.45 am)

Name: _____

Organisation: _____

Contact Phone: _____ Email: _____

Dietary Requirements: *please circle:* Vegetarian/ Coeliac/ Gluten Intolerant/
Lactose Intolerant/Other.....

Amount Payable: **\$150 + \$15(GST) = \$175.00**

Full payment is to be made before the training

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1. ☐ Enclosed is my cheque for \$175.00 payable to D. Kent Smith
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- **Confirmation of your place in the training will be made by phone or email after receipt of the completed registration form**
- **Cancellation policy: No refunds can be made to cancellations made less than 72 hours prior to the training date**