Consumer opportunity to consult with the LGBTIQ+ community in the Brisbane South region

Health Consumers Queensland has an opportunity for two (2) consumers or carers living In the Brisbane South region to host a kitchen table discussion or yarning circle with 10 community members to learn about the experiences of the LGBTIQ+ community in the context of serious illness, dying, death or grief within the Brisbane south region

Closing date: 4pm, Thursday 10th February 2022

About the project

Health Consumers Queensland has been contracted by Palliative Care Queensland to facilitate **two (2)** kitchen table discussions/yarning circles in February/March to learn about the experiences of the LGBTIQ+ community in the context of serious illness, dying, death or grief within the Brisbane South region.

Palliative Care Queensland will share the outcomes of the community consultations with Brisbane South PHN, the PalliChat BSth Project Steering Committee, to be used to inform the development of future projects and initiatives to ensure the inclusion of the LGBTIQ+ community.

About Kitchen Table Discussions

Kitchen Table Discussions are community engagement sessions led by local people for local people. They allow small groups to participate in discussions at a time of day, and in a place, that suits them. The discussions enable health consumers, carers and community members who do not ordinarily participate in healthcare consultation to have their say in a safe and supportive environment.

Each Kitchen Table Discussion will be led by a **Consumer or Carer Host** with a strong community network and who will invite up to **ten (10)** community members to have a talk or yarn in a location of their choosing. If hosting a session online via Zoom or Skype, the host will invite up to **six (6)** community members to participate.

The Host guides the discussion with a set of questions provided to them. After the session, the host provides their participants’ feedback to Health Consumers Queensland for incorporation into a report back to Palliative Care Queensland.

Who are we seeking as hosts?

Consumers/carers who have had a family member (or themselves) experience a serious illness, dying, death or grief in Brisbane South area and people identifying as part of the LGBTIQ+ community.

Role of the Discussion Host

As the host, your role will be to plan, coordinate and host a once-only 90-minute discussion with local community members. This includes:

Inviting up to ten (10) participants who would be interested in being part of the discussion on this important subject and Consumers/carers who have had a family member (or themselves) experience a serious illness, dying, death or grief in Brisbane South area, and people identifying as part of the LGBTIQ+ community.

* Choosing a time, date and venue between **16th February and 3rd March** that works for your participants and host your session.
* Complete and provide the discussion feedback to Health Consumers Queensland **by 5th March.**

To support you with this, you will receive:

* **Training and a project briefing via a Zoom video conference call. Zoom is free to download.**
* A comprehensive Host Guide and toolkit with all printed documentation.
* Questions to ask participants during the discussion.
* Support from Health Consumers Queensland to ensure you have a successful session.

Remuneration and Support

**Hosts –** you will be remunerated at Health Consumers Queensland’s day meeting rate of $374 for hosting an in-person session at a venue of your choosing and $187 if hosting an online session via Zoom. You will also be reimbursed up to a maximum of $100 to cover catering and venue costs for your in-person session (on return of receipts).

**Participants –** Health Consumers Queensland will provide a $60 gift voucher for each participant for giving their time to share their feedback on this important subject.

How to apply

**Please complete this application form and return it to**[***consumer@hcq.org.au***](mailto:consumer@hcq.org.au)**by 4.00pm on10th February 2022.**

For assistance completing this application please contact Health Consumers Queensland via [consumer@hcq.org.au](mailto:consumer@hcq.org.au) or by phone on 07 3012 9090.

For queries relating to this opportunity*,* please email Anne Curtis, Engagement Consultant – Specific Projects, Health Consumers Queensland at [anne.curtis@hcq.org.au](mailto:anne.curtis@hcq.org.au)

**Consumer Application Form**

Kitchen Table Discussion Host – BrisSth PalliChat LGBTIQ+ Project

Full name:

Preferred phone number:

Email:

Postal address:

Postcode:

* By completing this application, I consent for my details to be added to the Health Consumers Queensland network database YES | NO
* I would like to receive email updates from Health Consumers Queensland YES | NO
* Would you like us to retain this application for future vacancies? *(Applications not retained are destroyed once the application process is complete.)* YES | NO

Please highlight any group you identify with

* Aboriginal people and Torres Strait Islander people
* Living with a disability/chronic condition
* LGBTIQ+
* Rural and remote/Island
* Culturally or linguistically diverse
* From a non-English speaking background

Do you identify as: Aboriginal | Torres Strait Islander | Both | Prefer not to state

Are you a: Consumer | Carer

Age range: 16-24 25-29 30-39 40-49 50-59 60-69 70+

* **In 250 words or less, please describe your LGBTIQ+ community connections and networks that you can draw on to bring together up to 10 people to host a successful and inclusive kitchen table discussion.**
* **In 250 words or less, please describe: Why you would like to host a kitchen table discussion with LGBTIQ+ community members to learn about the experiences of the LGBTIQ+ community in the context of serious illness, dying, death or grief within the Brisbane south region.**