

Building Opportunities, Building Communities Conference

5-6 December 2018
University of Tasmania
Hobart

In today's consumer-driven community sector, practitioners increasingly need to provide creative solutions to complex problems with limited resources. Organisations are

experiencing growing demand for services and must provide evidenced-based outcomes, as well as value for money. Training and coaching to upskill the workforce has never been more critically important.

The inaugural Building Opportunities Building Communities Conference, presented by Possability, aims to enhance sector professional development opportunities in Tasmania. The conference will feature national and international innovators in services for people experiencing disadvantage and adversity due to disability, chronic stress and trauma. Presenters will also showcase Tasmanian excellence in providing these services and facilitating change in mainstream services to foster greater inclusion.

The program will be diverse and include presentations on topics with broad applications as well as papers and workshops exploring themes relating to disability, trauma, service design and employment.

Confirmed Speakers

Dr Gary La Vigna, Co- Founder
Institute for Applied Behaviour
Analysis, Los Angeles, California

**Mainstream and Me
project team** NW Tasmania
self-advocacy group

**Mr Ian McLean, Chief Executive
Officer** Golden City Support
Services, Bendigo, Victoria

**Dr Joanne Watson, Lecturer in
Disability and Inclusion**
Deakin University, Victoria

Dr Peter Smith, Director
Centre for Disability Employment
Research and Practice,
Melbourne, Victoria

Call for papers

If you are a Tasmanian who is building opportunities and communities who would like to share your work, please consider submitting a paper. We are seeking papers on best practice in Disability and Trauma-Informed support and employment services.

Complete the attached abstract form and email to engagement@possability.com.au by 15 September 2018.

Enhancing opportunities for people experiencing disadvantage and adversity

The Building Opportunities Building Communities conference will focus on practice and service delivery that enhances opportunities for people experiencing disadvantage and adversity due to disability, chronic stress or trauma. The aims of the conference are to:

- ▶ disseminate information about excellence, innovation and effective practice that delivers outcomes for individuals and service systems
- ▶ promote sharing and collaboration in service delivery and research and provide access to national and international experts
- ▶ showcase achievements in Tasmania and build confidence among local practitioners to present and publish their work.

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The conference is being organised by the Possability Research Institute, a practice and innovation initiative by Possability, a Tasmanian not for profit community service provider. The aim is to support skill development in the sector by making professional development accessible to not for profit and government services

Sponsors

The Building Opportunities Building Communities conference is supported by the University of Tasmania. We are also seeking other sponsors. To find out more contact us at engagement@possability.com.au

Presentation Proposal Paper

Paper Title	Title of paper
Presenters	List Presenting Author, affiliations and contact details, any co-authors and their affiliations.
Abstract	<p>The description (max. 150 words) should follow this format:</p> <p>Background: A simple opening sentence or two placing the work in context.</p> <p>Aims: One or two sentences giving the purpose of the work.</p> <p>Method(s): One or two sentences explaining what was (or will) be done.</p> <p>Results: One or two sentences indicating the main findings</p> <p>Conclusions: One sentence giving the most important consequence of the work – what do the results mean? How will they be used?</p>
Intended Audience	10 words maximum.
Presenter Biography	50 words maximum.
Presentation Requirements	Please list any requirements for room set up or audio visual access. A lap top and projector will be available.

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Presentation Proposal Workshop

Workshop Title	Title of workshop
Presenters	Please list Presenting Author, affiliations and contact details, any co-authors and their affiliations.
Abstract	<p>Include a brief description of no more than 100 words. This is to help potential participants and future readers assess their interest.</p> <p>For example: This workshop introduces participants to CS education in orbit. We present weightless teaching techniques and advice for transferring Earth-bound curricula. Participants receive handouts describing techniques, worksheets for designing new techniques, and copies of Space Agency recommendations. The workshop proceeds in three sessions in which we: present one technique (such as sensory immersion); practice in simulated weightlessness; and critique in small groups. Further information is at: http://perhapsincludeurl.</p>
Intended Audience	10 words maximum
Presenter Biography	50 words maximum
Presentation Requirements	Please list any requirements for room set up or audio visual access. A lap top and projector will be available.
Preferred Time Allocation	30 minutes, 60 minutes, 90 minutes

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