

Building Opportunities, Building Communities 2021 Conference

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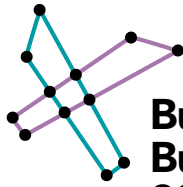
“Evidence to Action to Evidence”

Enhancing opportunities for people experiencing disadvantage and adversity

Melbourne Wednesday 27 October

via Webinar

9.00 am	Registration
9.15 am	Welcome Paul Csoban
9.20 am	Acknowledgement of Country
9.30 am	Keynote speaker: Dr. Gary LaVigna Approaches that can reduce and eliminate the use of aversive and restrictive practices
10.30 am	Questions with Dr. Gary LaVigna
11.00 am	MORNING TEA
11.20 am	Nicola Crates In Pursuit of Happiness
12.20 pm	Dr. Peter Smith The NDIS and Employment Supports
1.20 pm	Questions with Dr. Peter Smith
1.35 pm	LUNCH
2.10 pm	Anita Brown-Major Sexual Health and Intimacy Workshop
3.10 pm	Questions with Anita Brown-Major
3.25 pm	THANK YOU & CLOSING



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Dr. Gary LaVigna KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Dr. LaVigna is a co-founder of the Institute for Applied Behaviour Analysis. He is an internationally recognised authority on establishing effective non-aversive behavioural support services for people who are responding to their life conditions with severe and challenging behaviour. His work is reported in numerous peer-reviewed articles and books.



Dr. Peter Smith

Dr. Smith is the Director of the Centre for Disability Employment Research and Practice (CDERP). CDERP engages with providers on organisational change, government on policy and individuals through Work First which delivers employment and mental health services. Dr. Smith is an acknowledged global expert on Customised Employment and Discovery



Nicola Crates

Nicola Crates is Executive General Manager, Practice Innovation and Service Development at Possability.

She is a trained Speech Pathologist with over 15 years' experience in Positive Behaviour Support. She published on staff training and associated client outcomes in the Journal of Intellectual Disability in 2012 and has presented extensively on Positive Behaviour Support at national and international conferences. She has recently had two articles relating to nonaversive crisis management published in the latest International Journal of Positive Behaviour Support.



Anita Brown-Major

Anita Brown-Major is an Occupational Therapist who is passionate about the recognition of all people as sexual beings. She has completed extensive research into the importance of sexuality (not just sex, but relationships, intimacy, and self-esteem) for people living with different abilities and bodies, ensuring a focus on quality of life. When not educating people and health professionals about sex she is involved with Handi's product design of accessible sex toys as well as producing an anatomical working model of the clitoris and pelvis. In short, she excels in the embarrassment of her teenage children.

