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WORKERS CONFERENCE

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15 – 16 JULY 2024
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DAY 1 - MONDAY 15 JULY 2024

09:00	Welcome Kim Skubris	
09:05	Welcome to country	
09:10	Address from the hosts	
09:15	A brief introduction to research on your emotional wellbeing Maria Vassos - University of Queensland	
09:20	Impact of ableism on society and the vital importance of intersectionality and holistic approaches in supporting individuals with disabilities KEYNOTE SPEAKER: Grace Edward	
10:30	MORNING TEA	
11:00	Changing attitudes: sexuality and people with disability Natasha Milner - True Relationships & Reproductive Health	
11:30	Creating change for LGBTI+ people with disabilities Annabelle Oxley - Queensland Council for LGBTI Health	
12:00	The advocacy duties of Disability Support Workers Huiji (Vicky) Chen - Multicap	
12:30	LUNCH	
13:30	Workshop sessions	
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	Teaching essential life skills to people with disability using Task Analysis and Prompting Jessica Crossan - Vertaview Group	Lead with integrity: The Disability Royal Commission and NDIS Review provides a significant opportunity to deliver on our commitment to people with disability.
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		Embers of exhaustion – evidence based approaches to resilience and wellbeing in Direct Support Workers Trent Carberry - Vertaview Group
15:00	AFTERNOON TEA	
15:30	A place at the table: the important role of Disability Support Workers in achieving person-centred healthcare for customers with complex care needs Megan Bragg - Multicap	
16:00	Keynote speaker Keith Banks	
17:00	Closing remarks Kim Skubris	



DAY 2 - TUESDAY 16 JULY 2024

09:00 Keynote speaker
Wayne Bennett

10:00 MORNING TEA

10:30 Developing a Health Framework to best support people in achieving positive health outcomes
Elke Smith - Multicap

11:00 Vision impairment in people with complex disability
Ursla White - Special Eyes Vision Services

11:30 Panel session

12:30 LUNCH

13:30 Workshop sessions

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Creative Arts workshop	Evidence for the ongoing use of Positive Behaviour Support in Australia: a response to 'Restrictive Practice - a pathway to elimination' Sarah Hutchison - Multicap	Staying in tune – a practical music therapy workshop for Direct Support Workers Helen Cameron - Jam Music Therapy, and the Multicap Music Therapy team
15:00 AFTERNOON TEA		
15:30 Keynote speaker Kath Koschel		
16:30 Closing remarks Kim Skubris		

