



DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION FORUM IPSWICH

15 NOVEMBER 2023

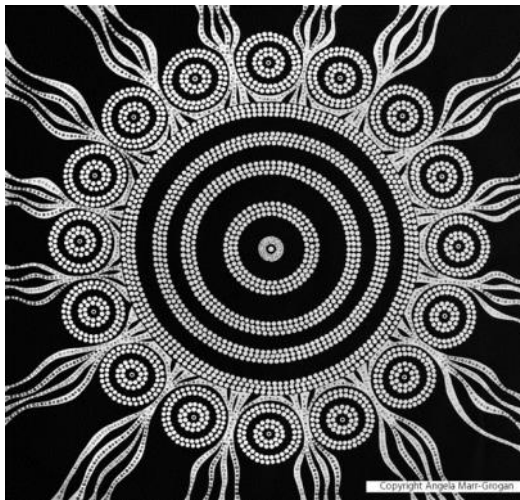
*Hosted by Ethnic Communities Council of Queensland's
(ECCQ) Multicultural Advisory Service*

Attendee Booklet



ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Ethnic Communities Council Queensland (ECCQ) acknowledges the traditional custodians who have lived on and cared for Country for thousands of generations, and recognises their continuing connection to land, waters and community. We pay our respects to them and their cultures, and to Elders past and present.



Artwork by Birrbay artist Angela Marr-Grogan, representing connection. Used by permission.

PROGRAM

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8:30am	Registration and Check In
9:00am	Forum Opening <i>Anyuon Liai - Multicultural Advisor, Ethnic Communities Council of Queensland</i>
9:05am	Acknowledgement of Country <i>Anyuon Liai</i>
9:10am	Setting the Scene <i>Anyuon Liai</i>
9:30am	Girmay Gebremedhin <i>Presentation 1</i>
10:00am	Charbel Trad, Marlana Enkelmann and Casandra Teale <i>Presentation 2</i>
11:00am	Morning Tea - Networking
11:15am	Harpreet Kalsi-Smith <i>Presentation 3</i>
12:00pm	Group Photo & Feedback <i>Anyuon Liai</i>
12:30pm	Lunch & Networking
1:30pm	Depart Venue



SPEAKERS



GIRMAY GEBREMEDHIN

Counsellor, Youth Enterprise and Innovation Co-Team Leader, Queensland Program of Assistance to Survivors of Torture and Trauma (QPASTT)

Girmay is an Eritrean-Australian who is passionate about Community Advocacy, development and youth engagement. He is a member of the Queensland African Community Council executive team, helping community members access direct services and support.

Before arriving in Australia in 2011, Girmay worked with the United Nations in Egypt for four years. His work with many organisations and communities allows him to apply his humanitarian and settlement expertise and grow his knowledge.



SPEAKERS

HARPREET KALSI-SMITH

Founder and Managing Director, Kindness Company

Harpreet is an Indian woman who was born in Kenya and raised on the lands of the Turrbal and Yuggera peoples. She brings 17 years of experience specialising in health and wellbeing, driving innovation and change. She has founded the Kindness Company to continue supporting those who are approaching the end of their life, along with their communities and to mobilise social change around preparation and support for end of life.

Harpreet's passion to advocate and work in end-of-life care commenced after supporting her mother during her final months of end of life. Her own lived experience and that of carers and people who have died from a range of illnesses including dementia and cancer, have driven her to work for better care for all approaching end of life. Harpreet holds a Masters in Conflict Resolution, is an integral sound healer, reiki master, trauma informed practitioner and end of life doula.

<https://kindness.company/>



SPEAKERS



CASSANDRA TEALE

*Team Lead, ADA Link - Aged and Disability
Advocacy Australia*

CHARBEL TRAD

*Community Connector, ADA Link - Aged and
Disability Advocacy Australia*

MARLANA ENKELMANN

ADA Link - Aged and Disability Advocacy Australia



<https://adaaustralia.com.au/>

SPECIAL THANKS



VENUE

Ipswich Turf Club

For hosting us and organising the catering for today – in particular our Events Coordinator, Angela Townsing.

SPEAKERS

To each of our speakers for their time today and their preparations in the lead up to the forum.



Special thanks also to our fantastic Support Team!

Thank you to my colleagues from the Multicultural Advisory Service who have greatly supported me, as well as Wendy Tong from ECCQ's Finance Team.

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ABOUT THE ORGANISER

This forum is organised by The Ethnic Communities Council of Queensland's Multicultural Advisory Service



ANYUON LIAI

Multicultural Advisor

Multicultural Advisory Service

Ethnic Communities Council of QLD

<https://eccq.com.au/aged-care/multicultural-advisory-service/>

Anyuon Liai has worked as a Multicultural Advisor with ECCQ since 2017 as part of the Multicultural Advisory Service (MAS) Team of 6 members who are geographically located state-wide. Anyuon covers rural and remote regions including: Darling Downs, West Moreton, South West, Central West and Central Queensland.

About the Multicultural Advisory Service

The ECCQ's Multicultural Advisory Service (MAS), aims to help upskill service providers in delivering culturally safe care to CALD consumers, help you find solutions to your challenges with diversity and inclusion and to build an inclusive and culturally aware workplace. The MAS team:

- *delivers free cross-cultural training to aged care service providers against the Aged Care Quality Standards*
- *provides culturally appropriate information regarding aged and disability care, health and wellbeing to CALD consumers.*

RESOURCES

Bilingual Phrase Cards



www.culturaldiversity.com.au/resources/multilingual-resources/bilingual-phrase-cards

Australian Mental Wellbeing Index



www.smilingmind.com.au/mental-wellbeing-index

