

Elevate! Symposium: A Spotlight on Women's Issues and Perspectives with Substance Use

Wednesday, October 16, 2024 - Catholic Leadership Centre, 576 Victoria Parade East Melbourne, Celtic Hall

Real Stories, Real Impact	8:30 – 9:15	Registration Tea and Coffee
	9:15 – 9:20	Acknowledgement of Country and Opening the Day <i>Lisa Abbott, Director, Powered for Purpose</i>
	9:20 – 10:05	Lessons from the women’s movement - Female leaders tell their stories and discuss the experiences of women navigating their way in a field often built on the experiences of men <i>Dr Theresa Lynch, Chair, Pregnancy and Homelessness Coalition and Kerri Felemonow, Manager, Women’s Alcohol and Drug Service</i>
	10:05 – 10:35	Voices of Resilience: Women's Stories in AOD
	10:35 – 11:05	Best-practice when working with female forensic AOD clients: A case study of TaskForce Community Agency <i>Abbie McNamara, Family Preservation Reunification Response Practitioner/ Master of Social Work Graduate, Monash University and A/Prof Catherine Flynn, Head of Department and Director of Higher Degree Research - Social Work, Monash University</i>
	11:05 – 11:30	Morning Tea
Towards Best Practice	11.30 – 12:00	Stronger Sisters – Healing women on Country <i>Brooke Clifford, Stronger Sisters Camp co-designer, Camp Lead & Stronger Youth Family Violence Project Coordinator, Bunjilwarra and Carla Lauch, Stronger Sisters Camp co-designer, Camp Cultural Lead & Care recovery worker, Bunjilwarra</i>
	12:00 – 12:30	Why Australia needs a gendered drug policy <i>Meg Bagnall, Lead, AOD and Family Violence, VAADA and A/Prof Danielle Tyson, Criminology, Deakin University</i>
	12:30 – 1:00	Panel discussion: How do we give women a voice in their recovery?
	1:00 – 1:45	Lunch
	1:45 – 2:15	Creativity and voice in research <i>Bianca Johnston, PhD Candidate, Monash University</i>
	2:15 – 3:45	Becoming gender responsive: A workshop on working with women in alcohol and other drug treatment <i>Michele Campbell, Clinical Director, NADA and Jennifer Uzabeaga, Consumer Engagement Coordinator, NADA</i>
	3:45 – 4:00	Closing Remarks