

WHAT IS YOUTH WORK?

Sector Consultations

What is youth work? Is it different to simply “working with young people” as your target group? Is the sector becoming too driven by funding agreements, KPIs and external agendas and is it time to define things according to our terms? If so...

What makes youth work unique?

Is there a set of values or attitudes that ALL youth workers ought to work from? If so, what would these include?

Are there certain things ALL youth workers need to know (knowledge) or be able to do (skills)?

What about working with Murris and people from CALD backgrounds?

Following on from previous consultations and research as part of YANQs Workforce Development Project, YANQ is now seeking sector input to see if we can arrive at a COMMONLY HELD definition of “Youth Work” across Queensland.

Facilitator - Liz Archer

Liz has worked with NGO youth and community services organisations since 1984 including in SA, Qld and. This has included developing and offering accredited and non-accredited youth worker training (including the first entry level training customised for Aboriginal people from remote communities in Central Australia) as well as direct service delivery, agency management and policy development. She’s lived in Alice Springs since 1999 working mainly with Aboriginal organisations, set up her own consultancy business for community groups last year and remains passionate about supporting community controlled, participatory services and supports based on social justice principles and values.



Interested in having YOUR say in shaping

ongoing directions and priorities of the

Queensland Youth Sector?

Brisbane

Monday 12th March
1.30pm - 5.30pm

Rockhampton
Tuesday 13th March
1.30pm - 5.30pm

Townsville

Wednesday
14th March
2.00pm - 5.30pm

Mount Isa

Thursday 15th March
1.30pm - 5.00pm

Venues to be confirmed

Preparation

It is highly recommended that you read and think through the two discussion papers on "What is Youth Work" before coming along, or that you think about how you'd define Youth Work, what it involves and what might make it different to other occupational groups who may work with young people (e.g. recreation workers, social workers...)

There are discussion papers on the YANQ website including *What is Youth Work?* (Quixley, 2010) and *Which Wei? Values in Youth Work: A Murri Perspective* (Lucashenko, 2010), along with a report outlining the findings of the Workforce Development Project so far

RSVP

Please register your interest in the consultations by phoning YANQ on 07 3844 7713 or emailing admin@yanq.org.au



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