

LUNCHEON THEME

Talking About Domestic Violence

with a panel of guest speakers



Stacey Nelan

STACEY emerged from an abusive relationship a strong advocate against violence towards women. Through her transition from a victim to a survivor she has developed a desire to change the world, as she says, one person at a time.

She has now set up her own consultancy delivering inspirational talks, DV policy and programs to organisations and she is a White Ribbon Advocate and member of BPW.

Stacey only started to share her story in 2016, speaking to several organisations and government agencies as well as the 2016 SA Coalition of Domestic Violence Candlelight Vigil, NDVS's Responding to Domestic Violence conference and most recently the White Ribbon March at Parliament House.



Judith Cross

JUDITH has extensive experience in the community services and health sectors, contributing to the development of policy and services in relation to community health, domestic violence, child and family services and disability services.

She recently retired as CEO of Relationships Australia (SA) after 15 years and is now working part-time in leadership and management education. Judith was a member of the Premier's Council for Women for six years, Board Member of Family Relationship Services Australia, and Board Member of Access 2 Place.

From 2004 to 2008 Judith was the social work advisor to the Children in State Care Commission of Inquiry into the sexual abuse of children in state care undertaken by former Supreme Court Justice, Commissioner Ted Mullighan. In 2003 Judith was awarded a Centenary Medal by the Commonwealth in recognition of her contribution to community services.



Vicky Welgraven

VICKY is an Adnyamathanha woman, from the Northern Flinders Ranges in South Australia. Vicky has always been passionate about Aboriginal women's rights, reconciliation and education of the wider community about her culture.

Vicky was formerly the South Australian Representative on the National Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Women's Alliance (NATSIWA) Board from 2014-2016.

From 2011 to 2014, she held the position of Chairperson of Nunga Mi:Minar – a family violence service for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women and children in Adelaide.

Reconciliation in Australia is another of Vicky's passions. In November 2015, in recognition of her experience and work on these issues, she was appointed as a board member of Reconciliation South Australia Committee.



Karen Ashford (MC)

KAREN is the Director of Media and Communications at Flinders University, an internationally renowned world top 2 per cent research intensive institution with a footprint stretching from Adelaide, across South Australia and into the Northern Territory.

She was previously an award winning correspondent for Australia's national multicultural broadcaster SBS – incorporating NITV – where she reported news and current affairs for radio, television and online.

Beginning her career as the ABC's youngest ever cadet, she went on to work as a state government media advisor, in print media and also established a public relations consultancy.