

4th National  
LGBT&I Ageing  
& Aged Care Conference

# Ageing with Pride

The new landscape of LGBT&I  
ageing and aged care in Australia

## Program Book

**24 & 25 October 2019**

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## Conference Committee

**Pauline Crameri** – *Val's LGBTI Ageing & Aged Care*

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**Tania Ryan** – *Diversity Advisor, Gippsland Sectoral Development team*

**Trace Williams** – *Intersex Elder*

## Thank You

The Conference would like to acknowledge and thank the residents of The Willows, Lifeview, for packing the Conference Bags.

# Welcome

Welcome to Ageing with Pride, the 4th National lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans and intersex (LGBT&I) Ageing and Aged Care Conference, brought to you by the National LGBTI Health Alliance Silver Rainbow project and Val's LGBTI Ageing and Aged Care, and in association with The Coming Back Out Ball.

Ageing with Pride is the leading event in Australia for aged, health and human service providers to develop their knowledge, skills and practice to meet the needs of LGBT&I consumers.

The conference provides an opportunity for ageing and aged care policy and practice leaders to interact with, and hear directly from, LGBT&I older people, their carer's and advocates.

I would like to welcome and thank all our wonderful LGBTI elders who are presenting and attending the conference – thank you for your courage and commitment in continuing to strive for the health and wellbeing of our communities.

This conference is particularly pertinent now as the Royal Commission into Aged Care Quality and Safety is in progress. The Alliance's Silver Rainbow project has convened a series of consultations nationally to ensure LGBT&I people and their experiences are heard and will be making a submission to the Royal Commission.

The National LGBTI Health Alliance would like to thank all those at Val's LGBTI Ageing and Aged Care who have worked tirelessly to facilitate this conference. We are proud and honoured to be taking over this role and integrating the Ageing with Pride conference with the existing national sector leadership and coordination, training and support delivered by our Silver Rainbow program.

Thank you too, to all our sponsors, whose financial support facilitates the attendance of LGBTI elders and our fabulous keynote speakers and entertainers.

**Nicky Bath**  
Executive Director  
*National LGBTI Health Alliance*



Welcome to Ageing with Pride, hosted by Val's LGBTI Ageing and Aged Care at Rainbow Health Victoria, and for the first time hosted in partnership with the National LGBTI Health Alliance Silver Rainbow Program - together we welcome you.

Val's and the Silver Rainbow teams, together with our Committee, have assembled another wonderful and diverse program. Over the next two days the Conference will not only showcase some of the leading voices and work in and around LGBT&I ageing and aged care, disability, HIV, and health sectors, public policy, rights, advocacy and more, but as always central to the program provide an opportunity to hear directly from LGBT&I people - their experiences, ideas, hopes, fears, and visions of what ageing with pride is to them. The aim of the Conference has always been to inspire change. I encourage you to identify ways in which you might be able to influence or contribute to a new landscape of LGBT&I inclusive care, support and practice in Australia, a new vision of LGBT&I Ageing with Pride.

This year Val's celebrates its tenth birthday. Reflecting over the past decade we are fortunate to have witnessed or been a part of significant aged care reforms, although we recognise there is still much more to achieve to enable all older LGBT&I people, people living with HIV, or LGBT&I people with a disability, and their carers to access and receive the care and support they require without fear or avoidance, and to ensure all services and supports are not only safe and inclusive but also relevant to histories, experiences, and needs.

This is Val's 4th and final national conference co-ordination - we now send it out to the rest of Australia under the leadership of the Silver Rainbow Program. Thank you to the commitment, generosity and support of our Conference sponsors which again has ensured the event is a success and enables the involvement of many LGBT&I elders. Thanks also to The Coming Back Out Ball for the continued association, and to the assistance provided by our Conference Committee members. And finally, thanks to all our Conference speakers, participants and delegates for supporting Ageing with Pride.

**Pauline Crameri**  
Co-ordinator  
*Val's LGBTI Ageing & Aged Care*





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The National LGBTI Health Alliance (the Alliance) is the national peak health organisation in Australia for organisations and individuals that provide health-related programs, services and research focused on lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and intersex people (LGBTI) and other sexuality, gender, and bodily diverse people and communities.

A key program of the Alliance's portfolio is Silver Rainbow. Silver Rainbow provides national coordination and support activities promoting the well-being of LGBTI elders and the ongoing delivery of the LGBTI awareness training to the aged care sector. Silver Rainbow works collaboratively with the government, aged care providers and related services, LGBTI older people and elders and organisations to create an LGBTI inclusive aged care sector.

The Alliance is a membership organisation. We welcome applications for membership from all organisations who support the health and wellbeing of LGBTI people in Australia. For more information please visit: [www.lgbtihealth.org.au/membership](http://www.lgbtihealth.org.au/membership)

For more information contact Silver Rainbow – LGBTI Ageing and Aged Care

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Website: [www.lgbtihealth.org.au](http://www.lgbtihealth.org.au)



Val's LGBTI Ageing and Aged Care is a Victorian based program working to improve healthy ageing pathways, care and visibility of older LGBTI people. Val's works directly with service providers and facilitates a network of individuals and organisations to foster an understanding of the histories and experiences of older LGBTI people, and how these may impact access to services and care. Val's offers: LGBTI-inclusive age care training; regular e-bulletins; a website that provides research-based information, resources and links for workers, policy makers and LGBTI consumers. Val's aims to create safe and inclusive services that recognise and value older LGBTI people.

For more information contact  
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Website: [www.latrobe.edu.au/arcs/shs/vals](http://www.latrobe.edu.au/arcs/shs/vals)

Val's is part of Rainbow Health Victoria (RHV).

Rainbow Health Victoria is a program that supports LGBTIQ health and wellbeing through research and knowledge translation, training, resources, policy advice and service accreditation through the Rainbow Tick. RHV is located within the Australian Research Centre in Sex, Health and Society (ARCSHS) at La Trobe University and is funded by the Victorian government.

[www.rainbowhealthvic.org.au](http://www.rainbowhealthvic.org.au)



# General Information

## Conference Registration Desk

All enquires should be directed to the registration desk located at the entrance to the Conference facility.

The Conference Registration Desk will be open throughout the conference at the following times:

Thursday 24 October 2019 8.15am – 5.15pm

Friday 25 October 2019 8.30am – 5.30pm

## Presenters

Speakers who have provided their presentation to the Conference organisers via email prior to the event, are requested to provide their presentation to the technician in the speaker presentation room a minimum of 1.5 hours prior to their allocated timeslot in the program. The speaker preparation room is located in the **Swanston Room** (see map on last page).

Presenters for the Concurrent Sessions are asked to convene at the front of their assigned room (see program) with the Session Facilitator five minutes before the session commences.

## Name Badges/Tickets

Admission to all sessions is by the official conference name badge – for security purposes please wear it at all times when in the Conference venue. If you misplace your name badge, please advise staff at the Conference Registration Desk. Delegates sharing their registration are asked to return their lanyard and name badge to the registration desk for their colleague to collect.

## Conference Foyer

During conference session, please move around the conference facility quietly and be mindful of other presenters.

## Mobile Phones

As a courtesy to all delegates and presenters, please ensure your mobile phone is turned to silent or off during all conference sessions. Should you need to take a call, please leave the room quietly and then take the call.

## Networking Event

The Networking Event is on Thursday evening, 24 October from 5.15 – 7.15pm in the **Pre-function Foyer** and is a ticketed event.

This function is an additional package and not included in all conference registrations. Tickets are essential to attend. If you have not already booked a ticket but would like to attend, please check with staff at the Registration Desk for availability of remaining tickets.

## Safety

In order to provide a safe environment for all conference delegates, room capacity will be monitored and ushers will assist with seating during all sessions. The venue requires that furniture (chairs and tables) is not moved from room to room.

## Accessibility

The Novotel on Collins is a fully accessible venue. Please refer to map for accessible bathroom facilities, or see staff at the Conference Registration Desk for additional options. To enable safe movement within the venue, please do not sit on the floor.

## Feedback & Evaluation

We value feedback and suggestions regarding your conference experience. A conference evaluation will be emailed to all conference delegates following the conference.

Should you have any feedback throughout the conference, please provide it to staff at the Conference Registration Desk.

## Emergency Evacuation Procedures

In the event of an emergency, the venue staff will direct delegates accordingly.

## Catering

Morning and afternoon tea will be served in the Conference **Pre-function Foyer** adjacent to the conference Rooms. A sit-down lunch buffet will be served in the **Lane Restaurant**.

## Coffee & Tea

Self-serve Nespresso Coffee and tea will be available in the Conference **Pre-function Foyer** as well as coffee from the **HammondCare Dementia Centre Coffee Cart**. To reduce the environmental impact of the event, **Val's** is providing a Reusable Coffee Cup which you can collect at registration. This is yours to keep and we ask that you use it for hot beverages during the conference.

## Dietary Requirements

Vegetarian options will be provided throughout the Conference.

**Special diets:** For those who detailed in their initial registration of a special dietary request, a special meal will be made available labeled with your name only where needs cannot be accommodated in the menu provided.

## Social Media

### TWITTER

Share your experience of the conference by using #LGBTIageing or tweeting to our accounts:

@ValsLGBTI

@lgbtihealth

### FACEBOOK

Visit our Facebook pages for post and information about the conference and more:

@valsLGBTI

@NationalLGBTIHealthAlliance

### INSTAGRAM

#LGBTIageing and tag us @vals\_lgbti\_ageing

## Internet Access

Complimentary internet access is available.

Information about how to join the network will be posted throughout the Conference venue.

## Smoking

Novotel on Collins is a smoke-free environment and as such you must go to out to the adjoining streets to smoke.

## Photography

The Conference has an official photographer. Photos may be distributed or published at the discretion of Val's LGBTI Ageing and Aged Care and The National LGBTI Health Alliance Silver Rainbow Program. Please notify us at the Conference Registration Desk if you do not wish to be photographed or recorded.

## Video Recording

Delegates are requested not to video or voice record any session or delegate without the permission of the conference. Please direct any requests to the Conference Registration Desk.

## Exhibitor Stalls

Please visit the exhibitor stalls located in the Pre-function Foyer and the Degraes Room to find out what's happening in the sector, and for lots of information and resources. A range of exhibitors will be present throughout the conference and all exhibitors for both days are listed on page 2 of the program.

## Pride Presentations

Pride Presentations will be displayed in the Pre-Function Foyer throughout the Conference so please take a look.

## Media & Press

All press or media must register prior to the Conference.

# Keynote Speakers



## KEYNOTE DAY 1

### **Georgina Beyer**

Politician and human rights advocate and world's first openly transgender mayor and member of Parliament in New Zealand

Georgina Beyer the world's first openly transgender mayor, as well as the world's first openly transgender Member of Parliament.

Georgina was born in Wellington and raised in Taranaki by her Grandparents until age 4½. She returned to Wellington for school and later moved to Auckland with her family.

Georgina has acted in film, television, theatre and cabaret with major acting highlights including Close to Home, Inside Straight, Shark in the Park, and Shortland Street. She has also worked in broadcasting.

In 1999 Georgina became a Member of Parliament for Wairarapa and prior to this role she was Mayor of Carterton, having been elected in 1995 with a 48% majority and re-elected in 1998 with a 90% majority. She reluctantly resigned as Mayor in March 2000 due to her parliamentary workload.

Georgina resigned from Parliament in February 2007 after serving more than seven years as an MP. Achieving everything she set out to do, including ensuring the survival and strengthening of Masterton's hospital, bringing government services back to heartland Wairarapa and the passing of the Prostitution Reform and Civil Unions Acts, has meant that she can now look for fresh challenges.

She currently works as a speaker and LGBTQ+ advocate. Georgina shares aspects of her life including her experience as the world's first trans-sexual mayor and MP, life on the streets as a sex worker, her near-death duel with end-stage renal failure and her kidney transplant. In 2018 Georgina was invited to speak at the Oxford Union.

Georgina has authored a book, 'Change for the Better' which was published in October 1999 by Random House.



## KEYNOTE DAY 2

### **Ita Buttrose AC, OBE**

Ita Buttrose AC, OBE has had a long interest in health and ageing issues and is one of Australia's busiest health advocates. She currently chairs the Advisory Board of The Australian Mental Health Prize. Her other commitments include serving as National Ambassador of Dementia Australia having been National President from 2011-14; patron of the Macular Disease Foundation, Emeritus Director of Arthritis Australia, an organisation she chaired from 2003-2006 and patron of the Jodi Lee Foundation for Bowel Cancer Awareness.

Earlier this year Ita was appointed Chair of the Australian Broadcasting Corporation (ABC) and in this year's Queen's Birthday Honours was made a Companion of the Order of Australia (AC) for eminent service to

the community through leadership in the media, the arts and the health sector, and as a role model.

She was the 2013 Australian of the Year and has had a distinguished media career. She created the ground-breaking Cleo magazine, was the youngest ever editor of The Australian Women's Weekly, the first woman to ever edit an Australian metropolitan newspaper in Australia as Editor-in-Chief of the Sydney Daily & Sunday Telegraphs, and the first woman director of News Limited Australia.



She chaired the National Advisory Committee on AIDS (NACAIDS) from 1984-88. Her committee spearheaded Australia's national HIV/AIDS education program. She later chaired the AIDS Trust of Australia from 1990-94.

In 2014 Sydney's Macquarie University conferred an Honorary Doctor of Letters on Ita in recognition of her contribution to the arts. In 2015, she was conferred an Honorary Doctor of Letters by the University of Wollongong for her contribution to mental health and ageing. In 2018 Ita was conferred Doctor of the University - Honorary Medicine Doctorate by University of New South Wales for eminent service to health and for being an inspirational role model for aspiring women in business and those wanting to make a difference in society.

She has written 11 very successful books including Eating for Eye Health – The Macular Degeneration Cookbook which she co-authored with Sydney chef, Vanessa Jones.

## **Invited Speakers**

(in order of appearance)



### **Maree McCabe**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, DEMENTIA AUSTRALIA

Maree McCabe is the Chief Executive Officer of Dementia Australia. A recognised leader in the health and aged care sector Maree brings extensive experience across the health, mental health and aged care sectors to her current role.

Her career accomplishments include leading the successful unification of Alzheimer's Australia and rebranding to Dementia Australia, the development of internationally recognised technology at Alzheimer's Australia Vic, now used nationally and internationally. Executive roles in aged care and mental health.

Maree is a member of a number of Commonwealth health and aged care sector committees and Boards. Internationally Maree is a member of the Alzheimer's Disease International Asia Pacific Regional Committee and Chair of the Nominations Committee.



### **Tristan Meecham**

DIRECTOR, ALL THE QUEENS MEN

Tristan Meecham is an artist and performer who champions social justice and equality, celebrating communities through socially engaged frameworks, contemporary arts and creative action. Together with Bec Reid, Tristan is the Director of All The Queens Men. Tristan has become a leading creative voice within the LGBTI+ community nationally and internationally, specifically for championing the rights of LGBTI+ older people. Through a relational

engagement practice, he co-designs creative projects that enable communities improved access, not only to arts experiences, but broader community health and social services

Recent LGBTI creative projects include: The Coming Back Out Ball, a spectacular social event celebrating Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Intersex (LGBTI+) elders; LGBTI+ Elders Dance Club, a free monthly social event for rainbow communities; Toy, a gender neutral workshop where children build toys of their dreams.



### **Hon Luke Donnellan MP**

VICTORIAN MINISTER FOR CHILD PROTECTION; MINISTER FOR DISABILITY, AGEING AND CARERS

Luke Donnellan is Minister for Child Protection, Disability, Ageing and Carers in the Victorian Labor Government led by Premier Daniel Andrews. Luke was elected as the State Member for Narre Warren North in November 2002.

He was born in Melbourne and attended Xavier College 1977 – 1984. He received a Bachelor of Commerce from the University of Melbourne in 1987.

After finishing university, he worked as a commercial real estate agent, financial planner and client services manager.



### **Ro Allen**

VICTORIAN COMMISSIONER FOR GENDER AND SEXUALITY

Ro is Victoria's first Gender and Sexuality Commissioner. Ro has over 20 year's experience in community services, governance, social justice and LGBTI advocacy. Ro was the former Chair of the Victorian Adult, Community and Further Education Board and a commissioner on the Victorian Skills Commission.

As founding CEO of UnitingCare Cutting Edge, Ro established Victoria's first rural support group for LGBTI young people and a state wide network facilitated through the Youth Affairs Council of Victoria for training and worker support.

Ro is the former Deputy Chair of the Hume Regional Development Australia Committee and former Chair of Communities for Children in Shepparton. Ro was appointed to the first Victorian LGBTI Ministerial Advisory Committee in 2001, chaired the second and served on the third Committee concluding in 2014. Ro was a member and later co-chaired the National Working Party for LGBTI Social Reform established from 2011 to 2013.

Ro is a Fellow of the Australian Institute of Company Directors and was recognised for community service in receiving a Centenary Medal in 2003. In 2009, Ro was inducted into the Victorian Government Honour Role for Women.



### **Senator The Hon Richard Colbeck**

MINISTER FOR AGED CARE AND SENIOR AUSTRALIANS,  
MINISTER FOR YOUTH AND SPORT

Richard Colbeck is a Liberal Senator for Tasmania and the Minister for Aged Care and Senior Australians and the Minister for Youth and Sport.

Prior to entering politics in 2002, Senator Colbeck worked in the construction industry for more than two decades, starting as an apprentice and going on to own his own business.

He served as an Alderman on the Devonport City Council, a Director of the Tasmanian Chamber of Commerce and Industry, and President of the Devonport Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

Richard has served as Minister for Tourism and International Education, Minister Assisting the Minister for Trade and Investment, Assistant Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and twice as Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Agriculture.

He also held Shadow Parliamentary Secretary roles in the Health, Industry and Innovation, and Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry Portfolios.



## **Sandra Pankhurst**

TRANS WOMAN EXTRAORDINAIRE, WHOSE AMAZING LIFE AND BUSINESS WAS SHARED IN THE AWARD-WINNING BOOK, *THE TRAUMA CLEANER*

Sandra Pankhurst is truly label-defying. A transgender woman, Sandra Pankhurst has lived many lives, rising above adversity. Her remarkable life is the subject of the internationally acclaimed, multi-award-winning book 'The Trauma Cleaner' (Text Publishing).

Sandra (then "Peter") was adopted into an abusive family, relegated to a backyard bungalow, malnourished, excluded from family life and escaped home in his teens. Marrying young, he soon realised it was not possible to continue his life as a husband and father – so he left that life to become Sandra -- drag queen, sex worker and a gender reassignment patient in the early 80s. Sandra got on with her life. With an enviable work ethic, she went on to become Australia's first female funeral director, a trophy wife and a local government candidate.

Sandra Pankhurst is now CEO of one of Australia's most successful trauma cleaning businesses, transforming the filth and squalor of murder, suicide, drug dens, crime, mental illness with no-nonsense practicality and genuine compassion in equal doses. Sandra has the ability to connect to people in difficult situations, in trauma. She has a unique ability to treat her clients with unpatronising dignity and respect, transforming properties back to their former glory.

Sandra is an active advocate for aged care rights, disability, mental health and ethics, and aims to make a positive impact on the welfare of people of all lifestyles in the aged care and mental health sector. She has a unique and engaging presence and her incredible story reminds us there can be an after, survival and a next chapter.



# Films & Panels



## Film Day 1

SCREENING: THE COMING BACK OUT BALL MOVIE

The Coming Back Out Ball Movie explores the heartbreaking and heartwarming stories of a group of older LGBTI+ people as they prepare to attend a Ball celebrating their gender and sexual identities.

The Coming Back Out Ball Movie is an observational feature documentary that follows a group of older LGBTI+ people, who have been invited to attend the inaugural Coming Back Out Ball celebrating their gender and sexual identity. Faced with the complexities of ageing and isolation, these extraordinary people seize each day with determination and humour. In a world that is rapidly changing for the LGBTI+ community around the world, we witness some of our cast experiencing acceptance and love for the very first time in their lives.

**Panel:** The Coming Back Out Ball Movie in conversation: Director Sue Thomson and stars of the film Lizzi, David, Trace, Peter, Michelle and Nance, including Q&A.

## Morning Panel Day 2

LGBT&I panel discussion with a range of LGBTI people from throughout Australia talking health and wellbeing, ageing, care and support, HIV and more including audience Q&A.

Facilitated by Andrew Rogers (trainer with Val's and Rainbow Health Victoria) in conversation with Aunty Vanessa, Jill, Max, Aaron, Margherita, David, and Elisabeth.

## Film Day 2

SCREENING: BECOMING COLLEEN

"Becoming Colleen: Finding the Shoe that Fits" is a documentary about an 85 year old transgender woman, transitioning from male to female in the conservative coastal community of Coffs Harbour on the NSW mid-north coast. Having lived most of her life as Colin – a husband, father, policeman,



projectionist and self-declared shoe fetishist, Colleen negotiates her gender transition later in life. Soon after taking those first steps to live openly as a transwoman, Colleen has to move into full-time residential aged care, and like many older LGBT&I people, Colleen is apprehensive and fearful.

**Panel:** Becoming Colleen panel discussion and Q&A with Director Ian Thomson, Brenda Appleton (TGV), Sandra Pankhurst, and Jayne Cummings (Hall & Pryor).

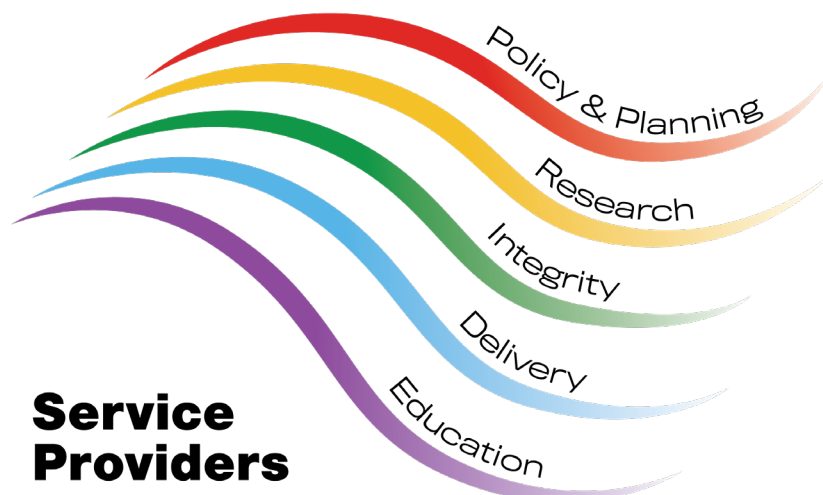
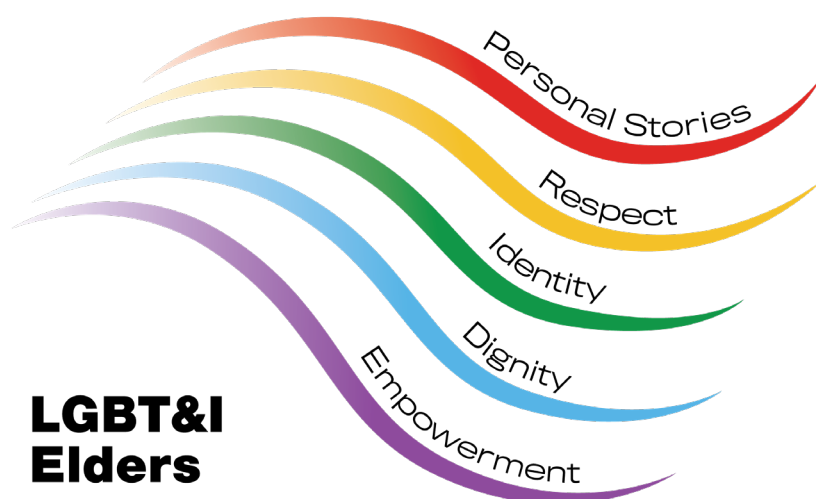
# Program

## Day 1 Thursday 24th October

Opening Plenary					
9:00am – 9:10am		Welcome to Country			
9:10am – 9:40am		<b>Conference Opening</b> Representatives from National LGBTI Health Alliance Silver Rainbow Program, Val's LGBTI Ageing & Aged Care, and principle sponsors BreastScreen Victoria and Lifesview.			
9:40am – 10:40am		<b>Georgina Beyer</b> Politician and human rights advocate and world’s first openly transgender mayor and member of Parliament in New Zealand			
10:40am – 11:00am		Morning Tea <span>Conference Centre Foyer</span>			
11:00am – 12:30pm		Morning Concurrent Sessions			
<b>P</b> AUSTRALIA ROOM 1	<b>R</b> AUSTRALIA ROOM 2	<b>I</b> AUSTRALIA ROOM 3	<b>D</b> AUSTRALIA ROOM 4	<b>E</b> ELIZABETH ROOM	<b>♥</b> COLLINS ROOM
<b>WORKSHOP</b> Mr Velvet Ears Film screening & dementia workshop <b>Anne Tudor,</b> <b>Catherine Barrett</b> <i>Celebrate Ageing / Alice’s Garage</i> <b>Andrew Ferguson</b>	<b>WORKSHOP</b> The importance of the Charter of Aged Care Rights for our LGBTI Elders <b>Craig Gear</b> CEO, Older Persons Advocacy Network (OPAN)	Older lesbians and gay adults’ experiences and perceptions of aged care <b>Andrea Waling</b> Anthony Lyons, Victor Minichiello, Mark Hughes, Catherine Barrett, Karen Fredriksen-Goldsen, Samantha Edmonds <i>Australian Research Centre in Sex, Health and Society, La Trobe University</i>	HIV and ageing – being prepared <b>Beng Eu</b> <i>Prahran Market Clinic</i> <b>Ethan Salleh</b> <i>GRMC</i>	Living longer with HIV – our new frontier <b>Ross Duffin</b> <i>National Association of People with HIV Australia</i>	LGBTI Elders Housing Project <b>Fiona York</b> <i>Housing for the Aged ActionGroup</i>
		“Is it HIV or just old age?” How is Australia’s first generation of PLHIV living in rural and regional Queensland experiencing ageing? <b>Lisa Fitzgerald, Allyson Mutch and Chris Howard</b> <i>University of Queensland &amp; Queensland Positive People</i>	ElderPride: developing LGBTI inclusive practice through consumer engagement <b>Christine Morris</b> <i>Eldercare</i>	We deserve: respectful relationships for TGD people <b>Sally Goldner</b> <i>Transgender Victoria</i>	“And the third policeman said...” <b>David Hood</b> <i>Elder</i>
		Humour as Activism: if gender is funny, then trans gender must be hilarious <b>Julie Peters</b> <i>Deakin doctoral graduate</i>	Supporting Diversity Planning and Practice <b>Rosemarie Draper</b> <i>Bolton Clarke</i>	Ageing with HIV: Australian research presents a challenging picture <b>Lance Feeney</b> <i>Positive Life NSW</i>	Peer HIV (PLHIV) based housing support <b>John Carr</b> <i>Positive Life NSW</i>
		The relationship between living alone and depressive symptoms among older gay men: the moderating role of age <b>Suzanne McLaren</b> <i>Charles Sturt University</i>	Taking Charge <b>Vic Perri &amp; Gerry O’Brien</b> <i>Living Positive Victoria, Thorne Harbour Health</i>	Dying Well within the Wellness, care, social model – A cultural and social perspective <b>Kate Spurway</b> <i>NurseWatch</i>	Why & I in the Accronym? <b>Trace Williams</b> <i>Elder</i>
12:30pm – 1:15pm		Lunch <span>Lane Restaurant Novotel</span>			

## Day 1 Thursday 24th October

Afternoon Plenary	
1:15pm – 1:20pm	Introductions – Afternoon Session
1:20pm – 1:40pm	<b>Maree McCabe</b> Chief Executive Officer, Dementia Australia
1:40pm – 2:00pm	<b>Tristan Meecham</b> Director, All The Queens Men
2:00pm – 3:30pm	Film screening – <i>The Coming Back Out Ball: The Movie</i>
3:30pm – 3:45pm	Afternoon Tea <span style="float: right;"><i>Conference Centre Foyer</i></span>
Closing Plenary	
3:45pm – 4:45pm	Panel – <i>The Coming Back Out Ball: The Movie</i> Stars of the film in discussion – LGBT&I ageing, social inclusion and more with Q&A
4:45pm – 4:55pm	<b>Hon Luke Donnellan MP</b> Victorian Minister for Child Protection; Minister for Disability, Ageing and Carers
4:55pm – 5:00pm	Closing – Day 1





## Day 2 Friday 25th October

Opening Plenary					
9:00am – 9:25am		<b>Commissioner Ro Allen</b> Commissioner for Gender & Sexuality' Equality Branch, Victorian Department of Premier and Cabinet			
9:25am – 9:45am		<b>Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck</b> Minister for Aged Care and Senior Australians, Minister for Youth and Sport			
9:45am – 10:45am		<b>Morning Panel – LGBT&amp;I elders</b> Discussing health, ageing, aged care, disability and more, facilitated by Andrew Rogers			
10:45am – 11:05am		Morning Tea <span style="float:right">Conference Centre Foyer</span>			
11:05am – 12:30pm		Morning Concurrent Sessions			
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<b>WORKSHOP</b> Dignity, choice and trans and gender diverse inclusive aged care services  <b>Catherine Barrett</b> <i>Celebrate Ageing/Alice's Garage</i>  <b>Toni Paynter</b> <b>Sally Conning</b>  <b>Kathy Mansfield</b>  <b>Kaye Bradshaw</b>	<b>WORKSHOP</b> “Oh, Well He Can't Stay here” - A panel workshop on responsive and inclusive care for people ageing with HIV  <b>Vic Perri</b> <i>Living Positive Victoria</i>  <b>&amp; Panel</b>	<b>WORKSHOP</b> LGBTI, Diversity and the Aged Care Quality Standards  <b>Ann Wunsch</b> <i>Executive Director of Operations, Aged Care Quality and Safety Commission</i>	The long and winding road – a personal story of advocacy and action  <b>Heather Birch</b>	Older Lesbian and Gay Australians' Sense of Housing Security: Demographic and Psychosocial Predictors  <b>Beatrice Alba</b> Anthony Lyons, Andrea Waling, Victor Minichiello, Mark Hughes, Catherine Barrett, Karen Fredriksen-Goldsen, Michelle Blanchard, Corey Irlam <i>Australian Research Centre in Sex, Health and Society, La Trobe University</i>	LGBTI Community Visitors scheme: connecting older LGBTI people across Australia  <b>Ada Castle, Ann Matson, Shane Campbell</b> <i>Switchboard/QuaC/ ACON/ Umbrella</i>
	<b>PRESENTATION</b>  455 ageing Australian PLHIV reflect on their aged care needs  <b>Lance Feeney</b> <i>Positive Life NSW</i>		Delivering an inclusive service  <b>Dianne Jones, Max Primmer, Andrew Muscat</b> <i>Hepburn House – Daylesford aged care services</i>	LGBTI ageing research in Australia  <b>Dr Sandra South and Tonye Segbedzi</b> <i>Australian Association of Gerontology</i>	LGBTI elders and elder abuse – it's time to reach out  <b>Malloy Rolfe</b> <i>Elder</i>
			The journey of the Bent Twig Alliance (BTA): a social support group  <b>Willowview Centre (City of Yarra) and BTA representatives</b>	Informing the design of assistive technology through the discovery of social, moral and care values important in LGBTIQ+ eldercare  <b>Adam Poulsen</b> <i>Charles Sturt University &amp; Newcastle Pride</i>	Co-designing for empowerment – a rainbow of difference  <b>Lana Richards</b> <i>Uniting</i>
			Transitioning after 60: challenges, opportunities, reflections  <b>Jaimie Bloom</b> <i>Bent Twig Alliance Elder</i>	LGBTI Expectations of Aged Care – Uniting's research findings  <b>Dr Tom McClean</b> <b>Claire Allen</b> <i>Uniting</i>	Being transgender: what's Buddhism got to do with it?  <b>Michelle McNamara</b> <i>Elder</i>
12:30pm – 1:15pm		Lunch <span style="float:right">Lane Restaurant Novotel</span>			
Afternoon Plenary					
1:15pm – 2:00pm		<b>Sandra Pankhurst</b> Trans woman extraordinaire, whose amazing life and business was shared in the award winning book, The Trauma Cleaner – in conversation.			
2:00pm – 3:00pm		<b>Ita Buttrose AC, OBE</b> Media trailblazer, 2013 Australian of the Year, Health Advocate & Campaigner for the needs & rights of older Australians, former Chair of the National Advisory Committee on AIDS (NACAIDS)			
3:00pm – 3:15pm		Afternoon Tea <span style="float:right">Conference Centre Foyer</span>			
Closing Plenary					
3:15pm – 4:15pm		Film Screening - <i>Becoming Colleen</i> The story of Colleen Young who transitioned at aged 82			
4:15pm – 4:50pm		Panel – <i>Becoming Colleen</i> Panel discussion with the director Ian W Thomson, and guests Brenda Appleton (TGV), Sandra Pankhurst, and Jayne Cummings (Hall & Pryor).			
4:50pm – 5:00pm		Closing			

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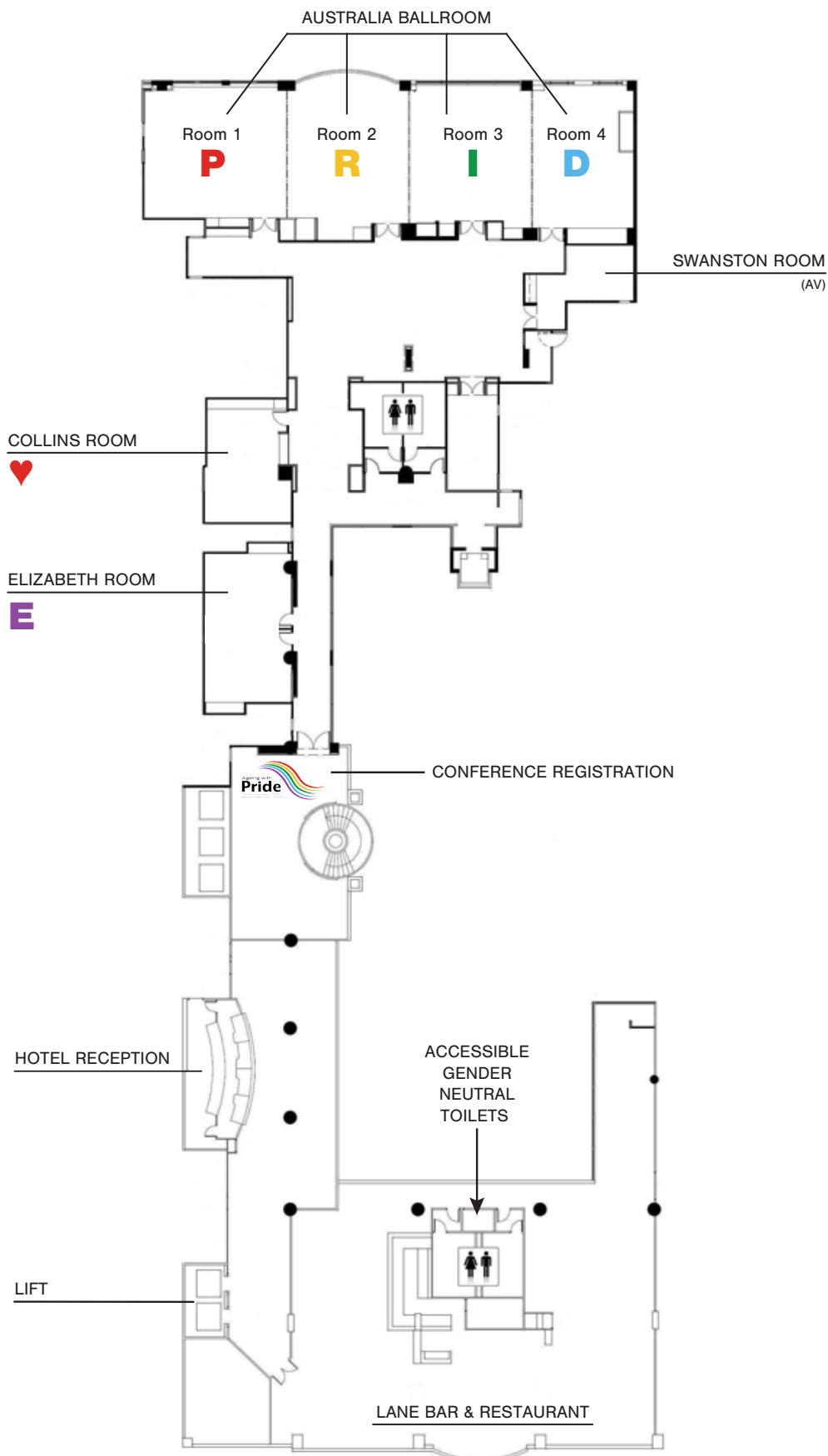
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