



Safe to Tell Co-Design

Participant Information Statement & Consent Form:



What is the project about?

'Safe to Tell' is a research project designed to help healthcare professionals better detect and support clients with experiences of intimate partner violence (IPV) and/or reproductive coercion and abuse (RCA).

Intimate partner violence can be defined as any behaviours in an intimate relationship that cause physical, sexual or psychological harm to those in the relationship.

Reproductive coercion and abuse are forms of IPV and refer to any deliberate attempt to dictate a person's reproductive choices or interfere with their reproductive autonomy.

LGBTIQ+ people can experience unique forms of IPV/RCA and face significant barriers to accessing support.

The Safe to Tell project aims to produce an eLearning module to teach health care providers how to recognise, respond and refer LGBTIQ+ clients with experiences of IPV/RCA, that has LGBTIQ+ community members at the heart of the design process.

Why am I being asked to be involved and what will I have to do?

You have been invited to take part in this co-design because as a person from the LGBTIQ+ community with experiences of accessing health care, you will likely have insight into how you and other LGBTIQ+ people can be better supported by health care services. For these reasons, you may have valuable insight to assist in the developing of an eLearning resource designed to train health care providers in how to support LGBTIQ+ service users who have experienced intimate partner violence and or reproductive coercion and abuse. Please note that you will not be asked personal questions about your experiences.

If you agree to participate you will need to sign a consent form and return it via email or in-person to SHQ.

You will then be invited to three 90-minute collaborative design (co-design) sessions which will involve an introduction to the topic, hearing about the most recent research in this area, review some Safe to Tell resources, participate in focus-group sessions with the intention to brainstorm and collate ideas for an e-Learning module and review the product. Following each sessions, you will receive \$75 as compensation for sharing your time and perspective (\$225 total). The sessions will also be catered and we will ask you for your dietary requirements, should you agree to attend.

Session Times, Dates and Location:

- Wednesday 6th December 2023, 5:30 – 7:00pm, 223 James St, Northbridge, WA
- Thursday, 14th December 2023, 5:30 – 7:00pm, 223 James St, Northbridge, WA
- Thursday 11th January 2024, 5:30 – 7:00pm, 223 James St, Northbridge WA



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What are the benefits to being involved in the co-design?

Benefits of being involved in this co-design include connecting with SHQ services and other LGBTIQ+ community members. We also hope you find the sessions educational as you will be gaining knowledge of IPV and RCA in LGBTIQ+ relationships, a topic that is often overlooked. We intend the co-design sessions to be empowering by placing LGBTIQ+ community members at the heart of the design process in the production of training resources aimed at benefitting LGBTIQ+ people accessing health care support. Sharing your perspective in this co-design may help transform the resources available in healthcare practices to become more LGBTIQ+ inclusive and improve potential for detecting and supporting LGBTIQ+ clients who have experienced IPV/RCA.

While the sessions will involve giving up your time, you will be compensated with \$75 per session and the events will be catered.

What are the potential risks to being involved in the co-design and how we will address these?

It is important to acknowledge that this project involves learning about and discussing intimate partner violence and reproductive coercion and abuse in LGBTIQ+ relationships. We will also discuss barriers LGBTIQ+ people face in accessing support which may centre around themes of discrimination and oppression.

Some may find this distressing and or emotionally provocative. We can help you access support services should you need or want support.

To mitigate any risks associated with Covid-19 transmission, we will follow social distancing and hygiene protocols (e.g option for mask wearing, hand washing and sanitisation).

Who will have access to my information?

The Safe to Tell team will have access to your personal contact information. This information will be used to contact you regarding attendance at the co-design sessions and to contact you with any resource material. Your information will not be saved or used in any other way.

Do I have to take part in the co-design?

Taking part in co-design is completely voluntary. You may also withdraw from the co-design project at any point. You will not receive any discrimination if you choose not to participate or withdraw at any time.

Who can I contact for more information?

Safe to Tell project email contact:

S2T@shq.org.au



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Consent form:

- I have read the co-design participant information statement and understand its contents.
- I understand the purpose, extent and possible risks of my involvement in the co-design.
- I understand the benefits and risks of my involvement in the co-design.
- I understand that my ideas, input and contributions in the co-design sessions will be used to design an e-Learning product that will be the intellectual property of SHQ and consent to my contributions being used for this purpose.
- I voluntarily consent to take part in this co-design project.
- I understand that all participation is voluntary and I can choose to withdraw at any time.

Participant Name	
Participant Signature	
Date	



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