

# BUILDING BRIDGES

Connecting services in ABI and Criminal Justice

## Presenters include

**Damien Sheehy,**  
**Self Advocate**

Personal experiences of the justice system: What works and what doesn't?

**Allan Elliott,**  
**Coordinator Independent Third Person Program, Office of the Public Advocate**

Getting help from an Independent Third Person

**Detective Sergeant Stephen Pope,**  
**Centre for Investigator Training (DTS), Victoria Police**

Criminal Justice Diversions.  
LEAP 'person warning flag'.  
Family violence.

**Deidre Griffiths,**  
**Executive Officer, Villamanta Disability Rights Legal Service**

Accessing and communicating with legal representatives.

**Dr. Suzanne Evas,**  
**Barwon ABI project**

ABI resources in Barwon

## Barwon session detail

### Date and time

24 June 2014, 12 noon - 5 pm

### Location

Simonds Stadium, Geelong.

### Cost

\$33/agency (up to 3 attendees)



## About this workshop

The Office of the Public Advocate has funded some key initiatives to assist people with acquired brain injury (ABI) who come in contact with the criminal justice (CJ) system.

The Building Bridges project will present a series of workshops throughout Victoria designed to increase active liaison across ABI and CJ sectors.

Hands-on, direct-service workers are the target audience for these workshops: ABI service providers, mental health workers, community corrections staff, and post-release services staff are key stakeholders. The workshops will include resources for participants, involve active learning tasks, and are part of a longer-term approach of systemic change designed to benefit this client group.

This advert is for the Barwon region. Workshops in Hume, Grampians, Loddon Mallee, Gippsland, and Melbourne metro will roll out across 2014-2015. If you wish to be informed of events in those regions, please add yourself to the mailing list by following this link in your web browser <http://eepurl.com/T7TR1>

[Barwon workshop registration essential](#)

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