

Champion your Child:

How to be the Voice your Child Needs in a Complex System

Presenter:	<i>Fiona Russo, MBA, PhD Candidate, Lecturer at University of Southern Qld and mother of a beautiful 7 year old daughter living with profound disability.</i>
When:	<i>10am – 2pm; Wednesday 6 March 2018</i>
Where:	<i>Community Conference Room, 3a Queensland Children's Hospital</i>
Who can attend:	<i>Parents and Carers of children who are seen by QPRS</i>
Cost:	<i>Free</i>

This workshop explores being “a voice for your child” within the complex systems of health and disability services. The workshop will look at skills and strategies to strengthen your confidence in advocating for your child and their needs.

Fiona is currently completing her research exploring the way parents develop the advocacy skills to champion their children with disabilities throughout their lives. Fiona will share her knowledge from her research and her experience of being a mum to her beautiful 7 year daughter who has a profound disability.

The workshop will include:

- **Presentation (2 hours):**
 - What is advocacy?
 - Why is it important to be a strong voice or advocate for your child?
 - How to be an effective advocate.
 - Impact of disability on families.
- **Lunch break**
- **Discussion Session:** “Talking about Advocacy”

Other Information

- **Only 35 places are available for this workshop.** Please register early if interested. If after registering, you are unable to attend please let us know. We can then make your place available for another person to attend.
- **The Presentation will be videoed.** After the workshop, this video will be available online to parents/carers who are unable to attend.
- **Parking at the hospital will be free for Workshop attendees.** Let us know when registering if you need a parking voucher. Parking vouchers will be provided at the workshop.
- **Child Minding:** Unfortunately for this workshop, we are unable to provide child minding at the hospital.

Need More Information?

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