Workshop 1

Moving Beyond Consumer Engagement: A skills-building workshop for professionals who want to better support, develop, and empower youth leadership in Cancer Care

Date: Monday 3 December 2018
Time: 11 am – 5 pm
Venue/Room: Sheraton Grand Sydney Hyde Park - Castlereagh Room 1, Level B1
Cost: $220 AUD early bird, $290 AUD standard registration (limited capacity)

WHO IS THIS FOR
Anyone working with or looking to engage meaningfully with young patients, survivors and consumer advocates to further their organisational goals. This may include healthcare professionals, reference group convenors / chairs, consumer engagement or external affairs professionals. No prior experience in this area is required.

PRESENTERS
Natalie Hornyak (National Leadership Coordinator for CanTeen Australia) and several of CanTeen’s young leaders (including Youth Ambassadors, Peer Facilitators as well as members of the national youth advisory groups and Board of Directors).

BRIEF
We hear about ‘user-experience’, ‘co-design’, ‘consumer engagement’ and ‘youth participation’; but how do we genuinely work alongside young people in meaningful and sustainable ways? We know that developmentally, adolescence is the time for exploring identity, accountability, influence and belonging; so how do we create environments that support positive development and the practice of leadership? Young people are often described as ‘leaders of the future’, despite being active in organisations, services, and communities right NOW; so how can we enable their leadership in our work?

In this workshop we will:

- Define the ‘why’ and ‘how’ of youth leadership through models and theories of youth participation and adolescent development.
- Hear insights and stories from experts (including young experts!) on the individual and organisational challenges and benefits of engaging young people in governance, advocacy, peer support, research and service design/evaluation and more
- Provide opportunities for workshop participants to consult the diverse wisdom, expertise and creativity of those in the room to make progress on specific youth leadership ideas and challenges
- Build skills in session design and facilitation so participants leave the workshop with confidence to bring young people together in various contexts.
- Provide a resource pack of tools to support continued development.

BIOGRAPHY
Natalie Hornyak has a Bachelor of Arts majoring in Education, a Diploma in Human Resources and over 15 years’ experience working in youth development and health services. She is passionate about supporting individuals and systems to align their values, purpose and practice and take up collective leadership in their world. She is a skilled and experienced facilitator confident in designing consumer engagement processes, leadership development programs and training for social service professionals. Natalie has spent over 4 years as the National Leadership Coordinator for CanTeen Australia, developing and implementing the National Youth Leadership Framework.