



# Register your interest

## Ipswich/West Moreton Borderline Personality Disorder (BPD) Mental Health Professionals' Network

The Mental Health Professionals Network ([MHPN](#)) is working with locally based Clinical Psychologist, Melissa Kent – with the support of The Australian BPD Foundation – to establish a multi-disciplinary network of practitioners with a focus on supporting people living with Borderline Personality Disorder (BPD) in the Ipswich/West Moreton region.

### About Melissa Kent

Melissa Kent MAPS MCCLP is a clinical psychologist, trainer and supervisor based in Brisbane. Her main areas of expertise are Borderline Personality Disorder, Posttraumatic Disorder, substance use and addiction, Dialectical Behaviour Therapy, and DBT PE. She works in private practice, for a community mental health service, and was recently granted funding to establish a DBT community of practice in Ipswich. She also delivers training and supervision nationally. She is passionate about breaking down the stigma attached to BPD by implementing early intervention programs, training and supervising clinicians, and promoting awareness.

<http://www.melissakentpsychology.com.au/>

### Purpose of the network:

- Bring together interdisciplinary practitioners and service providers who have a shared interest in BPD and learning how to better support people in the Ipswich/West Moreton region living with BPD
- Create new opportunities for local professional development in the understanding and treatment of BPD
- Discuss how services and individual practitioners can work collaboratively together to meet the needs of people living with BPD and their families/carers
- Strengthen professional relationships and enhance referral pathways between local practitioners and services
- Discuss how to progress effective BPD treatments within their practice setting
- The network aims to meet quarterly in Ipswich – venue/s to be advised.

### Who may benefit from being involved?

All practitioners with a professional interest in mental health, including:

\*\* Psychologists \*\* Psychiatrists \*\* General Practitioners \*\* Mental Health Nurses \*\* Occupational Therapists \*\* Social Workers \*\* Peer workforce (Consumer & Carer) \*\* Counsellors \*\* Psychotherapists \*\* Youth & Community Workers \*\* Family Support Workers \*\* other professionals providing mental health and related care to people living with BPD

### How to join: [Click here](#) to provide your details and register for the mailing list.

Can't click the link? Copy & paste this into new browser: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/IpswichWestMoretonBPDmhpneoi-2017>

Once you have registered your details you will be added to the mailing list and notified of the first network meeting once it's been arranged. Please feel free to forward this survey to interested colleagues.

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[http://bpdfoundation.org.au/services\\_qld.php](http://bpdfoundation.org.au/services_qld.php)