

# The slice of life? The Caesarean birth issue

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Program

**NOTE:** Workshop times may vary with different locations and venues. Please check starting times on your registration confirmation email.

9:00 – 10:00 a.m.	<p>Introduction</p> <p><b>Setting the Caesarean scene:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The history and continuing evolution of CS</li><li>• Recent and ongoing Australian research investigating the meanings of CS and the absence of labour and vaginal birth to women</li><li>• The implications of this research for midwifery practice</li><li>• Facilitating the best birth experience possible</li></ul>
10.00 a.m. – 10.30	<p><b>Critically examine and challenge the normalisation of caesarean:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Reducing the caesarean rate: essential to maternal and infant health</li><li>• The roles of the midwife in helping reduce the caesarean rate</li></ul>
10:30 a.m.	15-minute refreshment break
10:45 a.m. – 12.30	<p><b>Information and education for women, their partners and care providers</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What do women want us to know about having a CS?</li><li>• What do women want to know about CS?</li><li>• Caesarean specific education program content</li></ul>
12.30 p.m.	LUNCH