

35TH ANNUAL HOMEBIRTH AUSTRALIA CONFERENCE



DAY 1

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'Enabling homebirth away from home'

There exists a maternity crisis in Australia that is global as women and families find themselves with less opportunities to achieve a safe and sacred birth. As maternity units are closing, less providers are entering the field of Obstetrics, Gynaecology and Midwifery, some women find themselves travelling great distances merely to receive care. While homebirths answer to this crisis, there are limits to the number of families who can be served due to the logistics of travel and possibility of woman labouring simultaneously.

The authors suggest a unique answer to this complex problem by developing a unique model of a holistic private birthing center to allow collaborative care and insurance coverage for community midwives while providing back up in a beautiful home like spa setting. This paradigm shift will be a facility where doctors and midwives may be credentialed to use the center for their own private practices. Women with less resources will be able to receive care via a non-profit and women from greater distances will be offered local accommodations while awaiting labour and for a brief postpartum period.

The authors will present their design and paradigm shift combining the unique talents of a registered private practice midwife, an internationally known holistic Obstetric Gynaecologist and an engineer with 15 years of project management experience.

This presentation will take place at 3:40pm on Saturday the 18th of November