



## **CBNS Early-Career Researchers Public Engagement Training**

Workshop facilitator - Wendy Russell, Double Arrow Consulting

### **Purpose of the training:**

- To equip ECRs and PhDs working across CBNS with skills in public engagement, outreach and dialogue

### **Objectives of the training (what participants will achieve):**

- Understand the rationale for two-way engagement and dialogue
- Gain skills in public engagement, outreach and dialogue
- Gain skills and awareness of planning and methods for engagement and dialogue activities
- (optional) Develop engagement plans and designs

Estimated number of participants for each workshop: 30-40

### **Resources**

- STEP framework
- Selected articles

### **Training support**

If numbers are greater than about 25, it would be good to have an assistant trainer in the room. Matt or Declan may be able to play this role, or I may be able to find a volunteer to help.

### **Evaluation**

- a pre-workshop survey (when registering or just before workshop; this is used to gather info about participants and their expectations)
- a short survey at the end of the workshop to assess satisfaction and learning



## Tuesday 24 October 2017

### Draft Schedule (for participants)

10 am	Introductions – Who’s in the room? What are we here for?
10:45	Why engage about science? Why engage about CBNS?
11:15	Morning tea
11:30	What is science engagement/dialogue/deliberation? How is it best done?
12:30	Lunch
13:30	Exercise – what does dialogue look like?
14:00	What do we need to consider to run science engagement activities?
15:30	How might engagement fit into your career plans?
16:00	Close

### Draft Schedule (details)

10 am	Intro – Who’s in the room, expectations Warm-up exercise – Spectrum (Numbers 1-5 are placed on the floor and people stand on them in response to a question; shows diversity of group but also how people can move and change)
10:45	Why engage about science? Why engage about nano-medicine?
11:15	Morning tea
11:30	Trust exercise What is science engagement/dialogue/deliberation? How is it best done?
12:30	Lunch
13:30	Dialogue exercise - fishbowl Debrief, observations, reflection
14:00	Running engagement – design, methods, planning, facilitation
15:30	Career Development reflection
16:00	Close

Proposals offer – if students wish to work on a proposal for an engagement exercise following the training, I will review their proposals and give feedback.

**Dr Wendy Russell** is director of Double Arrow Consulting, a Canberra business specialising in two-way engagement. She previously worked in the National Enabling Technologies Strategy – Public Awareness and Community Engagement program of the Commonwealth Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education. In this role, she managed the development



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