# "Working through Paranoia & Making Sense of Unusual Beliefs" a Workshop for Peers & Family Members

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#### PETER BULLIMORE BIO

Peter is a voice hearer who spent ten years as a psychiatric patient enduring many bouts of severe paranoia.

Through learning holistic approaches and with support of the Hearing Voices Network he was able to reclaim his life from the system. He facilitates a hearing voices and paranoia support group in Sheffield. He also runs his own training and consultancy agency, Asylum Associates, and is the founder member of the Paranoia Network.

#### KATE CRAWFORD BIO

Kate works as a lecturer delivering trainings around recovery principles and values to mental health professionals while drawing upon her own lived experiences, bringing the theory to life. She has also spoken at conferences and delivered trainings on various mental health topics in a variety of settings both

nationally and internationally. Kate has been a trainer for the National Paranoia Network and the Hearing Voices Network since 2005, and is a Hearing Voices Community Group group facilitator.

Website National Paranoia Network <a href="http://www.nationalparanoianetwork.org">http://www.nationalparanoianetwork.org</a>

South Bay Project Resource https://southbayprojectresource.org/

Bay Area Hearing Voices Network <a href="http://www.bayareahearingvoices.org/">http://www.bayareahearingvoices.org/</a>

# SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, April 25, 2020 11:00 A.M. – 4:30 P.M. Registration 10:00 A.M.

Location: Willow Glen Community Center 2175 Lincoln Ave., Room 3, San José, 95125 E-mail: <a href="mailto:southbayprojectresource@gmail.com">southbayprojectresource@gmail.com</a>

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### Workshop Content Will Include:

This 1-day training is designed for persons who are interested in learning about coping with paranoia and making sense of unusual beliefs.

- The History of Paranoia
- What does Paranoia mean to you?
- The role of fear in Paranoia
- Identifying the links between trauma and belief systems?
- The three stages of Paranoia
- Using the three stages (Case studies)
- Triggers & Warning signs
- Working with unusual beliefs
- Decoding beliefs
- Understanding body state information that can trigger paranoia
- Case studies
- Personal experience of recovery

#### Participants will learn:

On completion of this training, participants will be able to:

- Take a critical and thoughtful perspective on traditional ways of understanding paranoia & unusual beliefs
- Understand the potential pitfalls of the claims made from other therapies
- Take a respectful and ethical approach to the experience of paranoia & unusual beliefs
- Understand the potential connection between trauma and the experience
- Develop new ways of talking to and working with those that have these experiences

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