

booking a speaker

Bookings often include two speakers - both a man and woman living with HIV - to present their story especially in the case of single-sex groups like schools or other educational venues as the experience of a woman with HIV can be quite different to the experience of a HIV positive man.

the speakers' engagement

Usually a single talk takes one hour with no more than 45 participants, and this can be negotiated with the **PSB** Coordinator in advance of the presentation. Schools and groups usually split the audience into smaller groups and engage more than one speaker.

For larger groups, this is beneficial for both the audience and the speaker as a smaller group can mean participants are more comfortable asking questions. Speakers usually allow enough time for questions at the end of their talk.

contact the **PSB**

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**POSITIVE
SPEAKERS
BUREAU**

a project of Positive Life NSW

our stories
...our words

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who are we?

The **POSITIVE SPEAKERS BUREAU (PSB)** is a Positive Life program that offers a range of trained, passionate and committed members of the community who are living with HIV. While almost everyone knows the basic principles of HIV prevention, they usually have little experience of contact with someone living with HIV day to day.

Through the art of story-telling, our speakers share their lived experience and educate the wider community by delivering key prevention, education, harm reduction and safer sex messages throughout each speaker's story.

The **POSITIVE SPEAKERS BUREAU** recognises the unique perspectives a person living with HIV can bring to an education session and offers your agency, school, organisation or group the opportunity to hear the personal experiences of people with HIV.

our speakers

Our trained speakers represent the human face of HIV and come from a diverse range of cultural backgrounds, ages and experiences as they help reduce fear, stigma, myths and discrimination.

The Bureau conducts regular training for our speakers to ensure they maintain their speaking and presentation skills and remain up-to-date and knowledgeable about HIV and current treatments.

Our speakers who attend schools also have current Working With Children Check clearances.

to make a booking

Please visit our website and complete the online booking form at: <https://www.positivelife.org.au/positive-speakers-bureau/book-a-speaker/>

The **POSITIVE SPEAKERS BUREAU** Coordinator will contact you to confirm details of the presentation and action your booking.

fees

Positive Life NSW charges a fee for service to remunerate speakers for their time, commitment and training. One week's notice is required for cancellations, otherwise the booking fee is forfeited.

Sponsorship is available when a school or community organisation could not otherwise access the Positive Speakers Bureau.



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