



**AUTISM BEHAVIOURAL INTERVENTION QUEENSLAND**  
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## **Motion and Emotion**

Looking at Movement Differences in Autism Spectrum Disorder

Presented by

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Movement differences are very common in ASD. The effects of these variations are often overlooked and underestimated. Behaviours can be seen as choices and the effects of the sensory and motor challenges unrecognized.

This workshop aims to look at the effects of movement differences in the lives of people with ASD. Too much movement, too little movement, movement that is too slow, movement that is too fast, movement that won't start and then won't stop. The effects of movement and the accompanying sensory issues will be examined. Contributions by people who cope with these movement issues will be included.

Ways of assisting those with movement challenges will be discussed, again with the collaboration of those who face these challenges daily.

This workshop aims to suggest ways of looking at behaviours and activity as a result of understanding the challenges of movement differences in ASD.

### **Target Audience:**

Teachers, teacher aides, parents, carers and professionals supporting children with autism

**Date:** Sunday 11 October 2009

**Time:** 9:00am – 12:00pm

**Cost:** ABIQ Members: \$55, Non-Members: \$77 (Inc GST)

**Venue:** QUT Kelvin Grove Campus Block N Room 519

To register, complete details below and return with payment by 5 October 2009. (Cheque or money order payable to ABIQ Inc, credit card payments are unable to be accepted). Alternatively, registration can be made online at [www.abiq.org](http://www.abiq.org) with payment via EFT.

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## **Moira Boyle**

Moira Boyle is an Occupational Therapist who graduated from the University of Queensland in 1972 and, after a brief time working in Adult Rehabilitation, has worked in the field of Paediatrics since 1974. During that time her work experience has included Developmental Paediatrics, Child Psychiatry, Suspected Child Abuse and Neglect caseloads, Oncology and ASD. In 1983 Moira commenced work in Private Practice and continued there until 2007. A large number of children with ASD presented along with children who were nonverbal and displayed many symptoms of Dyspraxia. Moira considers these children to be very powerful teachers and communicators and has spent many hours working with them and learning from them. In 2007 Moira relocated to Toowoomba and is now involved in Consultancy, workshops and seminars, the aim of which is to share the knowledge passed to her by these children. Moira has presented at Conferences, workshops and Seminars and been involved in teaching undergraduate and postgraduate Occupational Therapy students. She has been involved in research into Play Characteristics of children with ASD.