



**B.O.S.V.S.**

## To Arrange a Visit

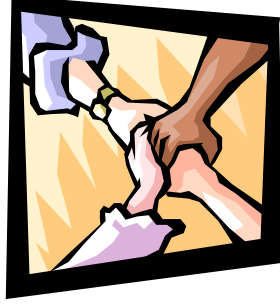
Contact the BOSVS Coordinator on

Telephone 07 3359 6500

(8am to 8pm daily)

## Referrals are welcome from

- Health Professionals
- Family members / Carers
- Ostomy Associations
- Self referral



# Brisbane Ostomate Support Visitor Service

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## What is the Brisbane Ostomate Support Visitor Service (BOSVS)?

BOSVS is a volunteer visiting program available to any person who is facing or has had surgery resulting in a temporary or permanent colostomy, ileostomy or urostomy.

Visitors are ostomates who have had personal experience of similar surgery for such conditions as -

- ◆ Bowel or bladder cancer
- ◆ Crohns Disease or Ulcerative Colitis
- ◆ Diverticular Disease

BOSVS visitors have adjusted positively to living with a stoma and lead normal life-styles.

## A BOSVS visitor offers the new ostomate -

- Support
- Reassurance that the surgery can have good outcomes
- Practical advice
- The chance to talk about his/her fears and concerns with someone who has "been there, done that"

The BOSVS supports and complements the service provided by the new ostomate's surgeon and stomaltherapy nurse.

## Operation of Brisbane Ostomate Support Visitor Service (BOSVS)

The BOSVS is operated -

- in the Greater Brisbane Area
- by Queensland Stoma Association Inc (based at Chermiside) and Queensland Colostomy Association Inc (based at Moorooka).
- in conjunction with the Australian Association of Stomaltherapy Nurses Inc Queensland Branch.

All BOSVS visitors have completed a special volunteer visitor training program conducted by the Queensland Cancer Fund.

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Alternatively, phone Qld Stoma Association on (07) 3359 7570  
or Qld Colostomy Association on (07) 3848 7178.

Give them your name and phone number and request that the Brisbane Ostomate Support Visitor Service contact you.