Co-design training within the health & ageing sector.

At the Future Self and Design Living Lab we help business and government get to know their service users within a health and ageing context using co-design. We place openness as one of our core values, which is why we are thrilled to share our co-design approach with your through our new training program about co-design. We offer 1 or 2 day experience courses where we produce branded toolkits, plans and proposals for your organization and then train you to use and apply them in your organization, or individual units that run for 2-4 hours that you can mix and match to create your own desired co-design training program. Get in contact with us so we can help tailor your co-design project today.



Individual units include

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This unit will introduce you to the design process and different design disciplines. You will leave with an understanding about the role of design in the health and ageing sectors.

3 hours

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2 hours

Facilitation techniques:

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4 hours

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Experience courses include

Design your own co-design project:

This two day training experience will equip you with the knowledge to design your own co-design project. This experience includes all the units we offer, and will finish with a plan unique to your situation that you can use to manage your project.

2 day

Service design 101

Co-design is a human-centered approach to developing health and ageing services. This two-day course will visualize your service delivery using service design principles and techniques, to help identify themes to build upon in your co-design project.

1/2 day

Rigor and method: getting it right.

This training experience is dedicated to the methods you will use in your project, and the types of data you might need. At the end of the experience, you will take away your own branded co-design activities ready for implementation into your project.

2 day

Wrapping up the project together.

This experience is best suited to projects that are near completion. It will offer an intensive opportunity to develop an evaluation plan that you can take away, ready for implementation into your organisation.

1 day

Your design process.

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Who are we?

At the Future Self and Design Living Lab we use co-design to help business and government get to know their service users within a health and ageing context. Our co-design approach includes older people, service users, and health care practitioners, leading to emotionally friendly technologies, better health environments, dementia friendly technology and communities, augmented reality mobile phone applications and a digital ensemble performance of Bach for older people.

What is co-design?

Co-design is a process where non-designers and designers work together to produce designed outcomes. A non-designer can be a health care practioner, care worker, or service user and has a wealth of knoweldge about a problem the co-design project is seeking to solve. As a result, it is imperative that non-designers are involved as equals accross the whole design process, including project planning, design, and evaluation. There are many factors to consider when using co-design.

What is co-design training?

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Our co-design training program.

Experience courses

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