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Barbara Friday (8 August 1942 -)

Barbara Friday was born in Hobart, Tasmania, and matriculated in 1958. She began nurses' training in 1959 and worked as a nurse until 1965. Married in 1963, she went to live in Broken Hill, 1965 - 1972, where she had two children, a girl in 1965 and a boy in 1967. She moved to Melbourne in 1972, separated in 1976 and has self-identified as a lesbian since 1978.

Barb was involved in Women's Liberation as a feminist activist from 1972. She studied for a Social Work degree during the 1970s and subsequently worked as a community social worker in Mental Health, 1977 - 1984. She has been in private practice as a counsellor since 1985.