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Seminar Series 2011

ANZATSA and VOTA

Tuesday 20 September 2011 - 9.00am – 1.30pm

The Impact of Working with Sex Offenders - Vicarious Trauma

Aims of the Seminar

- 1) To provide participants a framework and strategies for developing resilience and self care plans.
- 2) For participants to have the opportunity for debriefing in a supportive environment with like minded professionals doing similar work.

Those who work with sexual abusers are frequently exposed to the victimisation of others. Given the nature of the work, professionals can be particularly vulnerable to the experience of vicarious traumatisation. Vicarious trauma is viewed as a normal reaction to extremely stressful work which comes at a high cost for both the individual and the workplace. Vicarious trauma impacts upon the physical and emotional health of the individual, which in turn affects their capacity to perform work tasks. This half day workshop is planned to be a fun and interactive way to identify sources of potential trauma. The workshop is formatted to allow participants the opportunity for debriefing and explores strategies for developing resilience and self-care plans.

Speaker ~ Dr Karen Owen PSM, MAPS, Organisational and Forensic Psychologist

Karen has extensive experience and expertise working within the criminal justice system and currently works in private practice. Karen is an expert in the field of sex offender assessment and treatment. Additionally, she has been active in publishing, research, training and consultancy. Karen is a past Chair of VOTA, and was awarded a Public Service Medal (PSM) in the 2007 Queens Birthday Honours for her work in sexual offender assessment, treatment and policy development. Previously she supervised a team of 20 staff at Corrections Victoria and for the last two years has been in private practice and has a wealth of experience in dealing with vicarious trauma issues with staff working in the field of sex offence treatment.

Speaker ~ Bea Raymond, MAPS, Organisational and Forensic Psychologist

Bea has worked in the forensic field for the last 14 years and has been actively involved in the supervision of staff, including psychologists, Social Workers and other mental health workers in a variety of settings. Bea now works in private practice specifically with risk assessment, sex offender treatment and child protection issues. Bea is particularly interested in job impact issues and practical strategies for developing resilience in workers.

Location

Royal Australasian College of Surgeons, Level 1 Lecture Room, Spring Street, Melbourne. (Mel Ref 2F J1)

Parking ~ Parking available in nearby city parking lots. Early bird generally before 9.30am.

Public Transport ~ Train and Train stop at Parliament Station.

Cost per Person

As a once off offer, ANZATSA and VOTA are offering complimentary memberships to BOTH associations that end on 31 December 2011. To be eligible for these complimentary memberships, registrants must submit a completed membership form with their seminar registration.

Active ANZATSA/VOTA Members \$75.00

Non Members \$125.00 includes **complimentary** membership to both associations until 31 December 2011 and then normal re-application applies.

We encourage everybody to take up this offer of becoming a member of both associations to gain access to discount training, seminars, workshops, conferences run by VOTA and ANZATSA for the remainder of the year.

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Registration Details

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Invoice

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Important Note: Please keep a copy of this Tax Invoice for your records. Receipts will not be issued. All registrations will be accepted unless otherwise notified via telephone or email on day of receipt.

RSVP by Wednesday 14 September 2011

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