Issue 13 June 2016 Newsletter

Karen Hulls social work services

Our goal is to develop a 'trauma-informed' Social and Community Services (SACS) sector in WA. We want to teach workers and carers strategies that support children, youth, adults and families to heal from their traumatic experiences so we can help to break the cycle of intergenerational violence and poor parenting.



From My Desk

As the seasons come and go I feel very fortunate to live in the hills of Perth where the amazing autumn colours outside my office window remind me to pause and gaze for a while. Our native garden is growing

thicker every year and more and more flowers are budding and multi-coloured birds are coming to live with us. Blue Wrens sit on my window sill & the 'pet' bandicoot and our cat (Smartie) share a food bowl! Life is good.



People often ask me if I find training people in trauma "depressing". The truth is the exact opposite. I am inspired and energised by the 1000's of people I meet each year from across the different sectors (e.g. Health, Education, Social & Community

Services, Disability, Youth Work etc.) who are so dedicated and passionate about their work with children, young people and adults who have had traumatic childhood experiences. The high demand for my 8 different trauma workshops suggests 'trauma-

informed' and 'trauma-sensitive' practice is becoming even more important to organisations (and funding bodies) and I look forward to continuing to work with the many organisations I have contact with each week to support the development of the sector.



The past few months have been interesting and varied. Some of the highlights have included:



'Better than Chocolate! Mindfulness Workshop for Workers and Carers' was held in Northam in March

for the Child Protection & Family Support (Wheatbelt) team. Foster Carers travelled up to 2.5 hours to attend. It was a perfect blue sky 'wheatbelt day' and a terrific, 100% engaged group who were happy to give the breathing meditations and self care strategies a go! Thanks to the leadership team up there for their ongoing support of my work and I look forward to seeing you in a few months for 'One Child at a Time & Look in the Mirror'.

Child Care Centres have become very interested in developing strategies to improve their work with young children with complex trauma histories and many centres have invited us to deliver 2-3 hour sessions to their Educators or booked educators into our workshops. GoodStart Early Learning, Stratton Out of School Care & Mulberry Tree educators have given us great feedback and we look forward to on-going work with many centres & more team work with Child Australia and Communicare.



'Hurt People, Hurt People' was held in Mandurah. Workers & carers from the peel region made up a large group at the Salvation Army centre. Participants were from: Red Cross, local school support workers

(Psychologists etc.), Family & Domestic Violence workers and Life Without Barriers foster carers. There were some very interesting & challenging conversations about intergenerational trauma and trauma re-enactment. The commitment to breaking cycles of violence through healing families was a dominant theme. This is a very popular workshop that we have expanded & improved to include more on the 'Restorative Practices' framework.

Centrecare (Djooraminda) held a 2 day 'Preparation Training' (covering Impact of Trauma & Relationship-based Support Strategies) for all their workers & carers in April. These 2 days were great for 'getting everyone on the same page', team building (loved some of the humour!) and support worker / direct carer interaction during the group discussions & breaks was really supportive & constructive. I always revally enjoy working with this mob! (I always learn lots)

School PD days are very full on! 'Time poor' schools mean that I often get 3 hour sessions allocated to my topic and there is heaps of content to cover. 50 teachers attended the PD at Ocean Road Primary School in Mandurah in April. There are some strong 'champions' of the 'trauma –informed schools' approach working in this school and the strategies they are implementing to support children with maladaptive behaviours are consistent with current 'best practice' for schools. If schools want PD on trauma in 2017 they need to book this is with us ASAP.



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Port Hedland ('When Loss Gets Lost' & 'Hurt People, Hurt People') & Broome (Hurt People, Hurt People')

were very rewarding work trips (and I got some lovely warm sun on my skin!). Our training in these regional centres gets booked out! Thanks again to the Youth Involvement Council (Port Hedland) and Health Department (Broome) for your assistance with the venue, catering and promotion of our workshops locally. I always learn a huge amount from participants about local issues and am always looking for local people to co-facilitate my workshops (especially Aboriginal workers). If you are keen, please consider attending 'Train the Trainer: Training Trauma in Your Patch' if you have not facilitated training previously. We need to build local capacity & I need a team of trainers to respond to

IF YOU'RE NOT PART OF THE SOLUTION, YOU'RE PART OF THE PROBLEM. - AFRICAN PROVER

Rise Network hosted 'Elephant in the Room!' Adult mental health services, Disability Services Commission & family support programs seem to really want to incorporate the '8 Principles of Trauma-Informed Practice' in their organisations – at every level. The group was very interactive & feedback was excellent! If anyone wants a free A3 poster of the 8 Principles, please email me and I will send it out to you.

Next week I get to be the participant (which I am really looking forward to!) at the Australian Childhood Foundation International

Trauma Conference. I have elected to do (another) masterclass with Dan Siegel, plus listen to keynote presentations from: Judy Atkinson, Pat Ogden, Martin Teicher and Vittorio Gallese. There are some other WA / NT people attending so I hope I get to meet up with you.



Coming Soon: Byron Bay Trauma Conference is a 4 day program (covering 3 of our most popular workshops). Please send the attached FLYER to anyone who may like to attend. The response has been great and we are 75% booked out so please book soon. We are planning to be back in Byron Bay in 2017 to deliver some of our other workshops. We will keep you posted.

Expression of Interest: We have had requests to bring our training to Adelaide (SA). If any organisation wishes to 'host' us in 2017 please send us an email so we can make this happen! (karenhulls@gmail.com)

I look forward to seeing you at training soon. Kind regards

Karen Hulls

New Training Program for 2016



Train the Trainer: Training Trauma in Your Patch!

Aim: There are many great workers and carers in WA & NT currently working with children, young people,

adults & families who have experienced complex trauma. We need your 'practice wisdom' in the training room! This training program aims to prepare professionals by providing you with the confidence, tools and techniques to prepare, facilitate and evaluate face-to-face training. The target is experienced workers and carers, with background knowledge of trauma theory & experience working with clients who have experienced complex trauma.

Dates: Thursday 7th & Friday 8th July, 2016

Time: 9.30 a.m. - 4.30 p.m.

Price: *\$650.00 plus GST Venue: Scorpion Training Solutions, 310 Treasure Rd (North), Welshpool

Please note: Train the Trainer is also being held in Darwin (31st August & 1st September), Broome (22nd & 23rd September) and Perth (24th & 25th November)

*Price includes: Permission to use training materials provided during this training to deliver trauma training in your current workplace, PowerPoint Slides, USB of resources, refreshments & light lunch



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Online Learning Opportunities

International Institute for Restorative Practices

RESTORATIVE PRACTICES

The International Institute for Restorative Practices (IIRP) is a world leader in restorative practices, providing professional development and accredited master's degree and certificate programs. At the iirp's model programs for at-risk and delinquent youth, the use of restorative practices has been shown to significantly reduce offending rates and improve youth attitudes. To learn more about successful programs emerging throughout the world, from single schools to whole community implementation models, visit the restorative works learning network.

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http://restorativeworks.net

Dr Dan Siegel



http://www.drdansiegel.com/resources/video_clips/

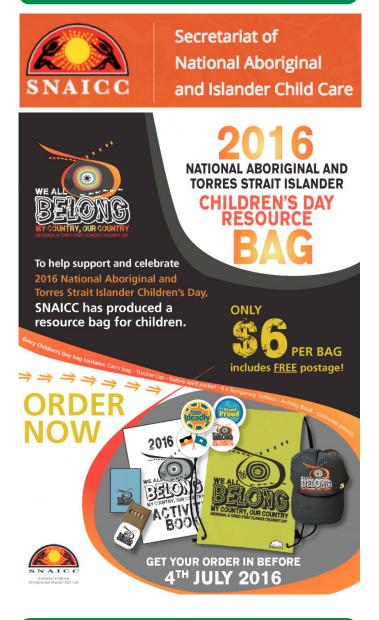
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We support children with autism, ADHD, learning and behavioural differences, featuring the music of Genevieve Jereb OTR

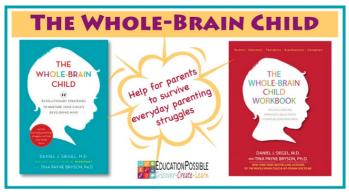


Resources



Recommended Reading







With a Bachelor of Social Work and Certificate IV in Training & Assessment (TAE10), Karen has over 25 years extensive experience in direct service delivery across the social and community services sector including: child protection; children and youth in care; youth work for Government

and NGO organisations. For the past 15 years Karen has worked in education and various learning and development roles. Karen delivers a range of comprehensive training programs for: foster carers, relative carers, family group home carers, residential care workers, child care workers, other direct care workers, social workers, psychologists, teachers, youth workers, juvenile justice officers, counsellors, health professionals etc. who work with children, youth, adults and families who have experienced complex trauma.



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1st & 2nd August

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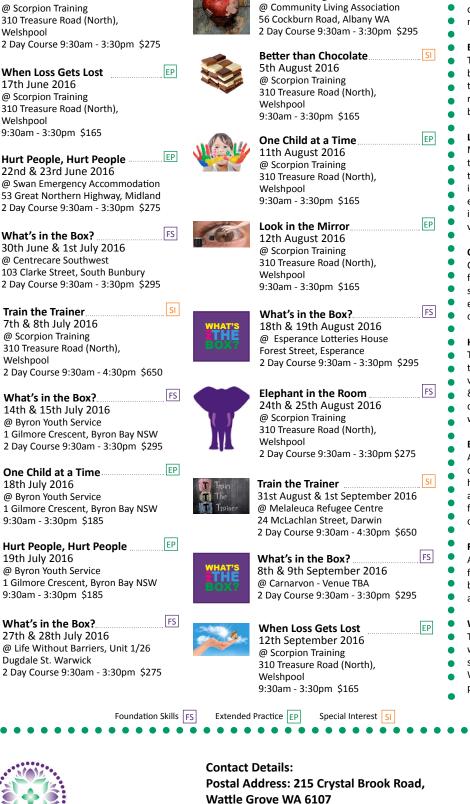
What's in the Box?

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2nd & 3rd June 2016



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Hurt People, Hurt People This workshop educates work the link between unresolved of violent & aggressive behaviou & adults. Shame, guilt & displ discussed. Workers & carers of will also find this workshop re	ers & carers about childhood trauma and rs in young people aced revenge will be f younger children
Better than Chocolate! An experiential workshop to e carers on mindfulness practice healing from trauma. The imp and young people developing for learning & relationships w during this workshop.	ducate workers & es which support ortance of children self-regulation skills
Foster Carer Assessor A skills based workshop for pr foster carers in WA. Building r based assessment methods, u and writing analytical reports	ofessionals assessing apport, competency ising assessment tools
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When Loss Gets Lost..... This workshop explores childhood traumatic grief, which can affect children's development, relationships, achievement, and later effectiveness in life. We will describe normal grief and the grieving process and then define psychological trauma.



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Look in the Mirror

4th November 2016

9:30am - 3:30pm \$165

Education Centre

Geraldton

310 Treasure Road (North),

Hurt People, Hurt People

Cnr Gregory & Augustus St

Elephant in the Room

310 Treasure Road (North),

@ Scorpion Training

Train the Trainer

@ Scorpion Training

Welshpool

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17th & 18th November 2016

2 Day Course 9:30am - 3:30pm \$275

2 Day Course 9:30am - 4:30pm \$650

24th & 25th November 2016

310 Treasure Road (North),

Better than Chocolate

10th & 11th November 2016

@ Geraldton Regional Community

2 Day Course 9:30am - 3:30pm \$295

@ Scorpion Training

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What's in the Box?... 15th & 16th September 2016 @ Scorpion Training 310 Treasure Road (North), Welshpool

2 Day Course 9:30am - 3:30pm \$275



Centre

Broome

9:30am - 3:30pm \$185

When Loss Gets Lost 21st September 2016 @ Broome Community Recovery Corner of Saville and Forrest Street



Train the Trainer 22nd & 23rd September 2016 @ Broome Community Recovery Centre Corner of Saville and Forrest Street

Broome 2 Day Course 9:30am - 4:30pm \$650



Hurt People, Hurt People 13th & 14th October 2016 @ Key Assets WA Level 1 One Puccini Court Stirling WA 6021 2 Day Course 9:30am - 3:30pm \$275



When Loss Gets Lost 19th October 2016 @ The Youth Shed Corner of Hillview & Balmoral Road, Karratha 9:15am - 2:45pm \$185



EP Hurt People, Hurt People 20th & 21st October 2016 @ The Youth Shed Corner of Hillview & Balmoral Road, Karratha 2 Day Course 9:15am - 2:45pm \$295



What's in the Box? 25th & 26th October 2016 @ Key Assetts , Mandurah CPFS **Cnr Tuckey and Sutton Streets** Mandurah WA 6210 2 Day Course 9:30am - 3:30pm \$295



One Child at a Time 3rd November 2016 @ Scorpion Training 310 Treasure Road (North), Welshpool 9:30am - 3:30pm \$165

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2nd December 2016 @ Scorpion Training 310 Treasure Road (North), Welshpool 9:30am - 3:30pm \$165



FS What's in the Box? 8th & 9th December 2016 @ Scorpion Training 310 Treasure Road (North), Welshpool 2 Day Course 9:30am - 3:30pm \$275



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