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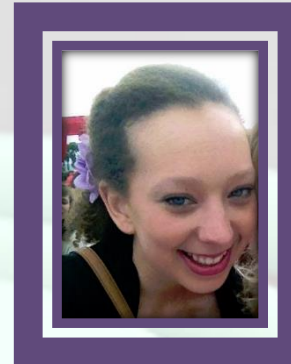
Invites you to attend a seminar by

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**Tuesday 21 October 2014
12.00 – 1.00pm in room AA220**

Updating Trauma focused therapy for abused children and their families: An evidence based approach based on international trends and local needs

Trauma focused cognitive behaviour therapy (TF-CBT) has the strongest empirical support of currently available trauma focused treatments for children and families (Cohen & Mannarino, 2008). However, it has been over ten years since the development of TF-CBT, including a version developed here in Aotearoa New Zealand. Since this time significant progress has been made in terms of understanding the effects of trauma on children; particularly in neuropsychological and cognitive domains (Anda, Felitti, Bremner, et al., 2006). CITR researchers are currently updating TF-CBT with the inclusion of neuropsychological assessment and sensory modulation (SM); a therapy developed within the fields of occupational therapy and developmental psychology (Te Pou, 2010). The research is a joint venture with Child, Youth and Family Specialist Services Unit, Puawaitahi. We will be talking about our study which is designed to assess the effectiveness of TF-CBT+SM in ameliorating cognitive and neuropsychological difficulties in these children.

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