



## *Seminar: Building the capacity of families with Substance Use Issues*

Friday December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2006, 9am - 1pm

Adelaide Pavilion Function Room  
Sir Lewis Cohen Drive, Adelaide (South Parklands)

A joint initiative of the Australian Centre for Child Protection, (University of South Australia) and Drug and Alcohol Services SA (DASSA)

### Program

Opening **Professor Dorothy Scott** 9 - 9.15am

Session One **Dr. Stefan Gruenert** 9.15 - 10am

**The Nobody's Clients Project: Identify and addressing the needs of children with substance dependent parents**

This presentation will outline the findings from this 2 year prevention and early intervention project which won a National Drug and Alcohol Award for excellence in serving a special population. The project involved over 230 participants and provided support to 70 parents and 50 children with funding from the R E Ross Trust.

Session Two 10 - 10.30am **Harald Bodein**  
**Collaborations Across Government: Child Protection and Parental Drug and Alcohol Use**

*Morning tea 10.30 - 10.45am*

Session Three 10.45 - 11.15am **Sarah Trainor**  
**Working with Families in an abstinence-based Therapeutic Community**

Session Four 11.15-12noon **Dr. Stefan Gruenert**  
**Supporting families affected by drugs or alcohol.**

Stefan will outline a number of his current efforts which aim to implement the recommendations from the Nobody's Clients project. These include the Parenting support Toolkit for AOD workers, Working with Fathers, Counting the Kids, and a Pilot Brokerage Fund for children.

**CAFÉ CONFERENCING 12-12.30** - Opportunity to ask questions of Stefan, Harald and Sarah (attendees choose which table discussion they would like to join)

*Lunch 12.30-1.00*

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### **Dr. Stefan Gruenert**

Stefan is a father, a psychologist, and the Executive Manager of Research and Program Evaluation at Odyssey House Victoria. He manages a number of clinical and research programs and provides clinical supervision to several Odyssey staff. Over the past four years, Stefan has researched, developed resources for, and worked with children and their substance dependent parents.

Previously, Stefan has worked as a senior counsellor in a range of settings including Odyssey's residential Therapeutic Community. He has conducted research on men's issues, alcohol use, intimacy, family work and fathers. Stefan has also taught courses on counselling, statistics, drug and alcohol work, family work, personality disorders and communication and has presented his work at numerous national and International conferences.

### **Harald Bodein**

Harald is employed as a community-based Senior Social Worker in DASSA. He has worked in the South Australian AoD field for the last 17 years. Until 2000 his organisational role was specific to young people and their families.

Prior to his arrival in SA, Harald lived and worked in Sydney, NSW and in Freiburg/West Germany. He is accredited and registered for practicing as a Social Pedagogue (Youth Social Worker) in Germany.

In recent years, Harald has initiated the development of DASSA's strategic partnership with Families SA and advocates for child and family centred practice. He has a strong interest in childhood development, prevention, community development and community participation processes."

### **Sarah Trainor**

Sarah is a registered clinical psychologist who currently works as the Family Program worker at Kuitpo Community - United Care Wesley Service. She has previously worked as a youth worker with young men and women in an emergency accommodation service. Sarah has spent a number of years involved in research at the Centre for Applied Psychological Research, Uni SA examining issues such as bullying, depression and suicidal ideation in adolescence. At Kuitpo, Sarah is responsible for the management of the Family Program, she also provides counselling and facilitates parenting groups.

### **Professor Dorothy Scott**

Dorothy is the Director of the Australian Centre for Child Protection, a new federally funded centre located at the University of South Australia. Her previous position was Head of the School of Social Work at the University of Melbourne. Early in her career Dorothy's social work practice was in the fields of child welfare, sexual assault and mental health. She helped develop the first sexual assault services in Victoria and pioneered new ways of working with women with a serious mental illness following birth. Later in her career she became involved in research and policy development in child protection. She is very interested in models of collaborative practice, especially between children's services and D&A treatment services, how to translate research into policy and practice and how to "scale up" successful innovations in service delivery.

