



PREVENTING THE LONG-TERM CONSEQUENCES OF EARLY TRAUMA

An infant mental health perspective
on working with children in the
out of home care sector.



The biggest surge in brain growth occurs in the first 18-24 months. Attachment injuries and trauma during this time can have long-term consequences for the developing child. This seminar explores the foundational principles and practices of infant mental health so that those caring for, or working with children who have experienced trauma can use their relationship as a therapeutic tool to repair earlier ruptures to attachment and to prevent unconscious trauma symptoms from sabotaging their lives.

20 July 2012 Presenter: **Timothy O'Leary**

Objectives:

- Understand the principles and foundational concepts of infant mental health
- Identify infant trauma symptomatology
- Understand the impact of trauma on the developing brain's structure and function with a view to children's behaviour
- Identify the key principles and practices of working to repair early trauma and attachment injury in the child and adolescent

Suitable audience:

- Carers & workers from foster, permanent, residential, adoptive & kinship care
- Family service workers
- Child protection workers
- Case managers
- Teachers / teacher's aide
- Student welfare / wellbeing professionals
- Early childhood workers

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9.30am
Registration

10am - 4pm
Seminar

VENUE
Edgar-Lynch
Training & Meeting Rooms
3 St David Street
Fitzroy 3065

COST
Workers: \$195+GST
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\$180+GST

Refreshments, morning tea,
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