

'WHERE DO I COME FROM, WHERE DO I BELONG?'

Examining Questions of Identity for Looked After Children, their Biological Parents & their Caregivers



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Speaker: Dr. George Habib

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Date
24/08/2012

Time
Registration: 9.30am
Seminar: 10am - 1pm

Location
Edgar Lynch Training & Meeting Rooms
3 St David Street, Fitzroy, Australia 3065

Cost
Workers: \$100+GST
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This training seeks to re-visit the central importance of how caregivers and agencies support looked after children's orientation to others and the world around them. Despite the importance of identity being recognized in the clinical literature, the Looked After Children guidelines, Best Interest Planning, and within the out of home care sector, issues of identity remain perplexing for children, young people and their caregivers. This training will seek to provide contemporary case examples and opportunities for discussion amongst participants in relation to the questions of 'who am I?' and 'who do I come from?' and 'where do I belong?'

Seminar Objectives:

- What is identity?
- The importance of identity for children in out of home care, permanent care and adoption
- Working with children and young people in out of home care – the issues of claiming, joining and supporting the family that is joined
- Life story as a living document
- Contact with birth families and managing the system

Suitable Audience:

- Carers & workers from foster, permanent, residential, adoptive & kinship care
- Family service workers
- Child protection workers
- Case Managers



Dr. George L. Habib is currently the Discipline Senior for Psychology at the Early in Life Mental Health Service (ELMHS) at Southern Health. Prior to his current role, George was the Regional Principal Practitioner for DHS Child Protection in the Southern Metropolitan Region. George has extensive experience in consulting to Child Protection staff, families, caregivers and community agency staff to address the emotional and psychological needs of children and adolescents who have experienced traumatic events and attachment related problems. He has worked in private practice as a child and family clinician and as a senior mental health clinician. He has had over fourteen years of experience in working therapeutically with clients involved with Child Protection. He has a particular interest in working with children and their families within complex systems.

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PARTICIPANT NAME	EMAIL ADDRESS	CARER / WORKER

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