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The New Zealand Psychological Society/New Zealand College of Clinical Psychology Joint Annual Conference will take place on 20-23 April 2012 at the Wellington Convention Centre, Wellington

Conference Theme

Tūtahitanga: Standing Together As One

Highlights

Some keynote, guest speaker, symposium and workshop highlights of the conference are noted below

- Keynote speaker David Barlow will speak about the future of science and practice in psychology
- Keynote speaker Pat Dudgeon will speak on indigenous Australian mental health and racism
- Keynote speaker John Weinman will talk about the role of illness and beliefs as key determinants of intentional non-adherence to treatments
- Paul Jose and Gaynor Parkin will speak on wellbeing and resilience to stress in adolescents

- Natasha Bauer will speak on the portrayal of concussion in the Rugby World Cup 2011
- Liz Butcher will speak on how elder Māori living on the East Cape understand a good life
- Julia Rucklidge will speak on the evidence for nutritional treatments for psychological symptoms
- Ian Evans will chair a symposium on parenting including Jessica Reilly speaking on what is it that makes challenging behaviour challenging for parents
- Rose Black will speak on inequality in the regions: a window on Waikato poverty
- Jessica Ogle will speak on empathy in medical care
- Peter Jansen will speak on injury from the Christchurch earthquakes improving the ACC response
- Luke Strongman will speak on the psychology of strategic/managerial decision making
- Anita Darrah will speak on depression, anxiety and stress in the transition to motherhood
- Ian Lambie will speak on youth offenders- serious criminals or just nice guys?

The conference programme and further information are available at www.psychology.org.nz, or www.nzccp.co.nz

Media invitation

The New Zealand College of Clinical Psychologists and the New Zealand Psychological Society welcome media presence at the conference and media personnel are welcome to attend conference presentations.

Please call at the registration desk at the Wellington Convention Centre to receive a media pack and ID badge which will permit entry to the conference. Staff at the registration desk will be able to assist with arrangements for interviews with presenters.

The Annual General Meetings are not open to the public or the media.

About the New Zealand Psychological Society (NZPsS)

The New Zealand Psychological Society (NZPsS) is the premier professional association for psychologists in New Zealand with over 1000 members and subscribers.

About the New Zealand College of Clinical Psychologists (NZCCP)

The New Zealand College of Clinical Psychologists (NZCCP) is the specialist professional organisation for clinical psychologists and represents 579 clinical psychologists and 200 postgraduate students enrolled in New Zealand clinical psychology programs.

The conference features international and New Zealand keynote speakers on a range of current topics of interest to the media. See www.psychology.org.nz for more information about the NZCP.