This workshop will explore understandings and experiences of sexual violence for Māori, laying foundations to strengthen practice. Bi-cultural approaches in engagement, assessment and intervention in sexual trauma will be discussed with a focus on enhancing knowledge and the development of useful tools and skills to best support Māori survivors. The workshop will include a mixture of presentations from the facilitators, small group activities, and facilitated group discussions of key topics and case studies.

8.30 - 10.00am Preparing to support Māori survivors: What preparation can we undertake to be well equipped to work with Māori survivors? Understanding the impact of sexual violence, including historical trauma, for Māori, whānau, hapū and iwi. Cultural interpretations/understandings of sexual violence within Te Ao Māori (the Māori world); group activities.

10.00 – 10.30am Kai iti mo te ata (Morning tea)

10.30 – 12.00pm Engagement and assessment with Māori survivors: How can we meaningfully connect with Māori survivors and hear their stories? Principles of engagement with Māori; culturally responsive and sensitive approaches to assessment; working from a position of cultural humility; gathering and honouring information; case studies.

12.00 – 12.45pm Kai nui (Lunch)

12.45 – 2.15pm Intervention with Māori survivors: Healing – What does this mean for Māori survivors? Sharing of “Good Practice Guidelines”; review of the usefulness of current interventions/models with Māori; healing the whole person; taking a ‘Whānau Ora’ (wellbeing of whole whānau) approach; case studies.

2.15 – 2.30pm Kai iti mo te ahiahi (Afternoon tea)

2.30 – 3.30pm Specific supports for Māori survivors: How do we implement specific support for Māori survivors? Supporting Māori through the ACC ISSC (sensitive claims) process; review of personal commitment to implementing cultural responsiveness; being supported to support (!); group activity. Wrap up.
doctoral research (2012) investigated Māori experiences of acute mental health services in Aotearoa. Erana also has extensive experience in academic, research, and clinical practice. Erana’s clinical work and research interests include whānau mental health and wellbeing; parenting; child maltreatment and whānau violence; service delivery for survivors of violence/trauma; clinical neuropsychology and neurorehabilitation with Māori; and cultural competence. Erana has also previously held a post in Kaupapa Māori Psychology at the University of Auckland, contributing to teaching, research, and supervision across the Clinical/Professional Programmes and General Programme. Her doctoral research (2012) investigated intervention in whānau violence. Erana has long-standing involvement with the Ngāti Hine Health Trust in Tē Tai Tokerau (Northland) and is currently a Board member of the Trust. Julie and Erana have together published work on Māori child maltreatment; experiences of caregivers of children with non-accidental (and accidental) head injury; and strategies to reduce the use of seclusion and restraint with Māori in acute mental health settings. They have both been members of the National Standing Committee on Bicultural Issues for the New Zealand Psychological Society since 2006. Julie is currently one of the Bicultural Directors on the Executive of the Society; Erana served in this role in the previous term.

**Venues**
Auckland: Parnell Trust, Hobson Room (upstairs) 545 Parnell Road, Parnell
Rotorua: The Rydges Hotel, 272 Fenton Street, Glenholme
Nelson: Quality Inn, 40 Waimea Road

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