



# DOCTORS FOR SEXUAL ABUSE CARE

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# Acting President's Report for the 2007 AGM Carol Shand

### An Acting President

This year has been one of the most stressful and difficult for our organisation. For the last twelve months we have been trying to push the government agencies to develop and fund sexual assault medical services that could appropriately meet the needs of patients affected by sexual assault, as well as providing a forensic service for the Police.

A crisis in medical sexual assault services at the end of 2006 precipitated a response from ACC, Police and the Ministry of Health (MoH) and finally recognition that there was a problem. An interagency agreement from the CEOs of all three agencies and an agreement that a service would be developed, with some interim funding put in to tide services over, seemed a very positive and hopeful start to the year. Much hard work went into just getting to this point and I agreed to come back on board as Acting President to



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Dr Carol Shand - Acting DSAC President

assist the Auckland Secretariat of Kristen Sorrenson, Christine Foley and Terry Wyatt, with firm backing from Clare Healy and Min Lo, and with Jenny Corban and Patrick Kelly providing essential paediatric input.

### Interagency Negotiations

This process has almost overwhelmed the organisation this year. ACC appointed external facilitators Christine Howard-Brown and Jo Esplin from Acqumen Quality Solutions to work with the Police, MoH and District Health Board (DHB) officials "the funders" and DSAC to develop first a model for a service, then service specifications. This process took a huge amount of work, with DSAC attending meetings in Wellington (taking time off from our busy practices to attend and needing conference calls etc to discuss the relevant issues).

Unfortunately the stress of the process has impacted on the health of the DSAC doctors concerned, leaving many of us exhausted and stressed.

### DSAC Manager

Without Hayley as Manager none of this would have been possible. She has done everything we could have asked of a Manager throughout this process, standing up to the pressures from large Government agency employees on our behalf, holding us together throughout the process. Thank you Hayley for your staunchness, for your intelligent and thoughtful working through of the issues and for the sheer hard work you have had to put into constantly meeting more demands for information from the committee.

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## **The PAs**

We were sad to lose Penny at the beginning of this year who had been such a support to the office. However the Secretariat found Meagan who is now firmly in control of the office and providing the pleasant voice on the phone for all of us who ring, organising the details of meetings, and with a rapid learning curve putting our DSAC Newsletters in Adobe PageMaker. Congratulations Meagan.



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## **The Secretariat**

The National Office has run in high gear for most of the year but Hayley seems always to have everything under control. The Auckland-based Secretariat of Kristen Sorrenson as Secretary, Terry Wyatt as Treasurer, Christine Foley as Secretary Emeritus and Min Lo as Wise Level-Headed Advisor have provided the core support for the day to day running of the office. They all report that with Hayley as Manager this has become so much less stressful. However my very great thanks to them all for being available to support me as Acting President and to be the backbone of DSAC administration. Min Lo, since her return to Auckland, is filling many of the gaps, not only taking over the running of the Auckland roster, but also taking on the huge role of Editor of the Manual. I am pleased that this is progressing well with the majority of the sections now updated and accessible on-line.

## **DSAC Executive**

The extended DSAC Executive has continued to work away providing backup for Hayley and the Secretariat and a sounding board to discuss all the issues that come up. The new subcommittee process continues to work

with variable success according to the energy and demands at any one time. I, personally, am not convinced that the leaner Executive works better than the larger one we used to have, as finding new people who develop an interest and ability to provide DSAC leadership is often the luck of adding a new face on when they appear, as well as keeping the committed members active to the extent that they are able. However the Executive meetings have been tighter and slightly shorter with the more organised process of pre-written reports and that is a blessed relief to all of us.

## **DSAC Accreditation Sub-Committee**

The Accreditation Sub-Committee - Jane Batchelor (Chair), Ann Evans, Ros Gellatly and Clare Healy, with Jenny Corban providing key paediatric input - have had another successful year encouraging doctors to become accredited or to maintain and renew their accreditation. This year they have processed 19 applications bringing the number of current DSAC accredited doctors up to 70 in total. A wonderful achievement! The committee had a very useful face-to-face meeting in Christchurch in July at which time new improved accreditation forms were finalised. Now applications for all categories adult, adolescent and child, will use the same form. Thank you to the accreditation team for your outstanding work.

## **DSAC Courses**

The DSAC forensic training continues to be our core business and successful courses were run this year in Auckland for paediatric examiners and one for adults. The ACC/Police interim funding had been offered to run a second adult course, but partly because of the leanness of the funding they were prepared to pay, and partly because of the uncertainty about services for new doctors to work in, DSAC postponed the second course. As usual thank you to the people who worked to make these the very great success they were, both our support staff and the DSAC doctors who do most of the preparation for these in their "spare" time. The ACC/Police funding has provided some payment for the doctors running the adult course and

this is essential if DSAC is to continue long-term to offer this training.

The planning is well underway for an advanced Paediatric training in Christchurch next year with Dr Lori Frasier from Utah as our special guest speaker.

## **The Newsletter**

As mentioned above Meagan our new PA has rapidly come to grips with shaping the newsletter. We are grateful that Sandra Rhind, Caroline Corkill, Faye Clark and occasionally other reviewers have continued to put together DSAC newsletters, not perhaps quite on time (due to last minute article hunts) but well worth waiting for. Sandra has also developed the Regional Liaison Doctors' Newsletters which have provided more advice to roster doctors and have not gone to a wider audience. This was an initiative that had been simmering away on our wish list so we are delighted that Sandra now has this up and running. Well done Sandra - keep it up.

There is always a place for writers so if you or a colleague are interested in writing or just organising a newsletter please get in touch.

## **The Manual Re-Write**

Congratulations Min for the splendid achievement of the latest DSAC Manual now on-line. I know from my experience just how much work is required, for the bits you write yourself and even more for the bits you have to chivvy others to write. This new shape provides a more user-friendly form for doctors who use it as the basic reference for a forensic examination.

## **Australian Forensic Course**

Clare Healy has now achieved (almost) her Graduate Diploma in Forensic Medicine from the Victorian Institute of Forensic Medicine. Congratulations to you Clare for your hard work and persistence. She is now going on towards a Masters! Clare's attendance at this course has made a fundamental difference to DSAC, underpinning our training with a more solid academic base that this institute provides. Min Lo is now well on the way to completing this

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course and her contribution has already been useful in the Manual re-write and in the basic forensic course teaching. Thank you for the Police support towards these courses. They have indicated that they will continue to support DSAC members in this way.

### **International Speakers Programme**



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L-R Drs Clare Healy, Christine Foley, Kristen Sorrenson

During the last year Claire Hurst has handed the international speakers programme over to Hayley to run through the DSAC office. DSAC owes Claire an enormous debt for the success of this programme which has given DSAC a firm status as education provider in the wider sexual assault expert field. Claire is happy to continue to be adviser and consultant for us.

John Briere was a brilliant success this year. John is almost a DSAC patron and comes as much to support us as to educate counsellors. We are always pleased to see him and his wife Cheryl Lanktree who continue to provide us with a touch of California and a contact with the American knowledge in the field of trauma therapy.

Securing future speakers has been a challenge this year with Claire awaiting confirmation of availability from Dan Siegel and Hayley making an approach to Marylene Cloitre, a psychologist recommended by John Briere. Claire had also extended an invitation to Ellert Nijenhuis, a clinical psychologist and psychotherapist from The Netherlands who people have said that they would "walk over water" to hear him speak again. Ellert is currently considering our offer.

### **Domestic Violence Intervention Training**

The DSAC Partner Abuse Intervention Trainers Marie Burke, Faye Clark, Kalash Deva, Clare Healy, Penny Kagan, Rita Middleton and Kristen Sorrenson, chaired by Clare MacGougan, have continued to be involved in the delivery of the training programme in some way or another and have all done a sterling job in meeting the MoH contractual requirements. The second Partner Abuse Intervention contract with the MoH ran from April 1st 2005 until June 30th 2007. Over this contract period training has been delivered to an additional 954 attendees making a total of 2906 attendees since the training began in April 2002. This contract has been renewed by the MoH and will run until June 30th 2010.

With the recent governmental launch of the expanded Violence Intervention Programme there is now an increased demand by Primary Healthcare Organisations to receive this training programme.

### **National Regional Liaison Doctors**

DSAC doctors from around the country are the backbone of this organisation. We are grateful that one or two doctors in each area are prepared to also take the time over that above providing the work in their areas, to also provide some liaison with DSAC. We are pleased to see so many at the AGM and so grateful for all the work you do. It is important that you let the National Office know what you think we can do for you.

### **Funding**

The Geddes Philanthropic Trust continues to be our main sponsor of the office. This year they have kindly given us extra funding to underwrite this AGM and Regional Liaison doctors meeting, which is so important for DSAC. We continue to be extremely grateful for the support provided by Geddes which has ensured some security for the running of the office and core DSAC business.

### **DSAC President**

I have been proposing for several years a change to the constitution to remove the figurehead role of President and replace it with a more mundane title of Chairperson. I hope this will be supported at the AGM. DSAC is a consensual and cooperative organisation and I hope that with the renaming there will be an understanding that the role of Chairperson is not a threatening role. With the election of the Chair by the incoming Executive, and with the possibility that this role can turnover in a shorter time if necessary, I hope it will be easier to find doctors who are willing and able to take it on.

DSAC remains a unique organisation with its high aims, its members' selflessness and the huge commitment from anyone who has an involvement in DSAC. The friendships I have formed through DSAC have been some of the most meaningful in my life and I hope others of you have the same experience in this organisation. Thank you all.

*Carol Shand*  
**DSAC Acting President**



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Acting President Dr Carol Shand and Treasurer Dr Terry Wyatt

# Manager's Report - Hayley Samuel

It has been an incredibly full year for DSAC, the details of which are outlined in Carol Shand's report on pages 1 to 3. Whilst the work produced by DSAC is always a team effort I would like to thank Carol in particular for stepping in as 'Acting President' and for guiding the Executive through a particularly challenging year.

I am also grateful to Marie Burke for agreeing to take on the Executive Chairperson role. Marie (in partnership with the bell) is an exceptional timekeeper at the Regional Liaison Doctors' meetings so I will not be surprised if the famed bell makes an appearance at the next Executive Committee Teleconference.

Thank you also to Meagan Kerr for all of her organisational assistance this year enabling the smooth running of the DSAC Office.

## Upcoming DSAC Events:

### 1. Initial Paediatric Training Course in the Medical Assessment of Sexually Abused Children and Adolescents – 1st – 4th April 2008, Auckland

In response to attendee feedback Patrick Kelly has reviewed the Initial Paediatric Training Course programme and extended the course to run over four days instead of three. The programme content however will remain the same.

Dates – 1st – 4th April 2008. Venues – Marion Davis Library (1st & 2nd April), Clinical Education Centre (3rd April) and Puawaitahi (4th April).

We will be sending out registration forms shortly and posting them on the DSAC website [www.dsac.org.nz](http://www.dsac.org.nz). Meanwhile please register your interest in attending the training with Meagan at the DSAC Office.

### 2. Medical/Forensic Management of Adult Sexual Assault Training Weekend – 16th 18th May 2008, Auckland

This course will be run in Auckland at the Marion Davis Library and will be convened by Drs Christine Foley, Min Lo and Kristen Sorrenson. Please register your interest in attending this course with Meagan at the DSAC Office.

### 3. Advanced Paediatric Training Course – 1st – 3rd August 2008, Christchurch

The dates for the 2008 Advanced Paediatric Training Course have been confirmed for Friday 1st – Sunday 3rd August 2008. The Special Guest Speaker will be Lori Frasier MD – biography as follows:

Dr. Lori Frasier attended the University of Utah College of Medicine and completed a pediatric residency at the University of Washington. She was fellow at the Harborview Sexual Assault Center under Dr. Carole Jenny, from 1988-90. Dr Frasier was on faculty of the Department of Pediatrics at the University of Iowa, from 1990-1995 establishing the sexual abuse evaluation clinic there, and participating in evaluations of physical abuse and neglect. From 1995-2002 she was on the faculty of the Department of Child Health at the University of Missouri-Columbia,

Director of the Child Protection program there, and from 1994-2002 was the Medical Director of the Missouri SAFE-CARE Network a network of medical providers trained to provide medical evaluations to abused and neglected children. She is currently the Medical Director of the Medical Assessment Team at the Center for Safe and Healthy Families, Primary Children's Medical Center, Salt Lake City, Utah, and a Professor in the Dept. of Pediatrics at the University of Utah School of Medicine. She has published many articles and chapters in the field of child abuse and has lectured locally and nationally. She is the immediate past Chairman of the Executive Committee for the Section on Child Abuse and Neglect of the American Academy of Pediatrics and on the board of Directors of the American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children (APSAC). Dr. Frasier has been appointed to the American Board of Pediatrics, first sub board in Child Abuse Pediatrics.

## 4. Next Visiting Speaker – Dr Marylene Cloitre – October 2008

I am delighted to announce that Dr Cloitre has confirmed her availability to deliver three 1-day seminars in 2008 entitled "Psychotherapy for the Interrupted Life: Treating Adult Survivors of Childhood Abuse" as follows:

Auckland – Monday, 20th October 2008  
Wellington – Wednesday, 22nd October 2008  
Christchurch – Friday, 24th October 2008

Dr Cloitre is the founding director of the Institute for Trauma and Stress at the New York University Child Study Center, and the Cathy and Stephen Graham Professor of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry.

Adult treatments for childhood trauma rarely take into account the disturbing impact of abuse on the development of emotional and social competencies so critical for effective living in later years. Dr Cloitre will present a flexibly-applied, evidence-base treatment which systematically addresses the compromised capacities in emotional awareness, emotion regulation, and healthy attachment in adult survivors as well as the more evident symptomatology which burden the survivor such as PTSD, dissociation, depression and anger. The program is organized into two 8 session phases. The first, Skills Training in Affective and Interpersonal Regulation (STAIR) focuses on the regeneration of emotional and social resources to enhance day-to-day life. The second, Narrative Story Telling (NST) focuses on the resolution of a fragmented understanding of self-and-other through the creation of a coherent and meaning based life narrative tracked across three affectively-based themes: fear/terror, shame and loss. The role of the therapeutic alliance in contributing to positive process and outcome will be discussed. Length of treatment with good outcome has ranged from three months to two years.

Meanwhile thank you all for your commitment and dedication to the management of sexual assault medicine. I wish you a safe and joyous festive season.

*Hayley Samuel*  
DSAC Manager



## Azithromycin

Remember that supplies of Azithromycin (Zithromax) are available for STI prophylaxis for any patient who is at risk of infection as a result of a sexual assault. The regime is absolutely simple  
1G. stat. (2 x 500mg tabs)

PHARMAC is fully subsidizing this drug through DSAC and supplies are available from:  
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To order your supplies for the next 6-12 months you can either write, email: [dsac@ihug.co.nz](mailto:dsac@ihug.co.nz) or  
fax: 09 376 0790



## Message from Executive Chairperson - Marie Burke

Hello and welcome to the December DSAC newsletter. I have only been Executive Chairperson for two weeks so I'm still getting used to it. Actually – Hayley and Meagan run the office so well that I haven't noticed any difference yet. I'm sure I will though.

It is an exciting if daunting time for DSAC at the moment. We are facing quite a few challenges in the next year as we move towards DSAC's 20th Anniversary (yes – I know – we don't look old enough!). There have been more meetings with the Police, ACC and Ministry of Health – some more productive than others – which are moving the Sexual Abuse Assessment and Treatment Service (SAATS) forward – this will be a different process in each area so please keep in touch with the DSAC office and let us know what is happening in your area.

The recent Regional Liaison Doctors' (RLD) meeting was full on but very productive – more details below.



RLD Meeting 2007  
L-R Drs Lyn White, Suzanne Washington, Carole Millichip

Having spent what seems like most of the last week on a depositions statement and report (20 pages and counting) for the police about a case I saw earlier this year, I cannot recommend too much the importance of getting statements and reports peer reviewed. It is not threatening, it is an excellent education process, and it can save you a lot of embarrassment and heartache/discomfort/why did I write THAT? moments in court. Even straightforward reports (this hasn't been one, in case you hadn't guessed) could do with a look over to make sure that you haven't made any silly grammatical mistakes and that you have clearly explained what you need to explain. Remember, you know what happened, but you are writing a report for people who do not know or understand the details of what occurred – so it has to explain things accurately and properly and, more importantly, show that you have maintained your professionalism and standards. It is not enough to just send the report off to someone and say it has been peer reviewed – it has to be a dialogue.

Anyway – back to the RLD meeting. I had my annual reunion with the DSAC office bell and between us we managed to more or less run the

meeting to time. The RLD reports gave a good idea of what is happening around the country. We also had an update on the Sexual Abuse Assessment and Treatment Service. This is to be rolled out around the country, and DSAC is very actively involved in trying to have as much support for local services as possible – this will mean ongoing liaison with the DHB for most DSAC examiners. Watch this space.

We had a media training session with Andi Brotherstone which was very useful in terms of how to act when approached by the media. I found it most helpful in increasing my understanding of how various media work, and what they are after in a story.

At the AGM we welcomed Ruth Swarbrick (from Rotorua) and Carole Millichip (from Christchurch) onto the Executive – and they have survived their first Executive teleconference as well! Also at the AGM we feted Clare Healy and her wonderful achievement of her Forensic Diploma from Monash University. Having personally benefited from her expertise, especially this week, I can say: Clare (and family) – it was all worth it.

On the Saturday we had an update on the Sexual Violence Task Force. This started in July, and is ambitiously looking at the whole area of sexual violence and assault, including a victim's journey through the justice system and what works and what doesn't in treatment and prevention. It is set to run for two years.

Dr Min Lo gave us a talk on injury interpretation and medical evidence – very topical and helpful, with lots of handy hints e.g. using tracing paper/baking paper to trace out injuries. Annabel Markham, a Crown Prosecutor, came to talk to us about the new Evidence Act and Expert Evidence – I found this very interesting and will write in more detail about it in the next newsletter. Detective Mike Americh talked to us about the new Wellington police evidential interviewing process.



RLD Meeting 2007  
L-R Drs Susanna Kent, Kristen Sorrenson, Terry Wyatt

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Basically (and this is how a 5 year old would understand its interpretation) they let the victims talk and don't interrupt them. (I was horrified to hear that some research has shown doctors interrupt patients after 18 seconds – until I heard police interrupt after 6 seconds!) This involves training interviewers in this technique, and so far in trials in Auckland and Wellington this has reduced interview times. Clare Healy spoke to us about bite mark analysis – this included recognising bite marks and analysis of bite marks – DNA swabs are obviously the gold standard, and physical comparison of bitemarks can be used but is really only helpful in “unique” patterns of dentition – i.e. when someone has very weird teeth (well that's my interpretation). Jane Batchelor very kindly ran a lunchtime accreditation clinic which was well received. If you are having troubles/issues with accreditation please think about contacting Jane – she will not bite and she always offers constructive and helpful advice.

The rest of the weekend was taken up with Peer Review. To my mind this is the most important part of the weekend because it is something we should all be doing. Nearly everyone presented a case, and I was again struck by the variety – no two cases were the same. It was a very stimulating (if tiring) process, with good contributions from everyone and an inordinate drive by some participants to get a chocolate frog – but that's another story.

Well - I now have to go tidy up my depositions statement so I will say goodbye till next time. Take care. Don't forget - good peer support is vital to the work we do.

**Dr Marie Burke**  
*DSAC Executive Chairperson*  
*Christchurch*



RLD Meeting 2007  
L-R Drs Johan Peters, Lynley Brown, Carol Shand, Anne Roberston

## **THE MEDICAL MANAGEMENT OF SEXUAL ABUSE SIXTH EDITION 2006**

The DSAC training manual is a resource for medical health professionals who provide medical care for victims of sexual assault. It is a supplement to the DSAC training courses in medical management of sexual assault and represents a collation of current thinking in this field of medicine, from both local and international sources.

The 6th edition is significantly different from the 5th edition and has been reorganised into 3 main sections. Not all subsections have been fully updated for this edition and these will be added to the online manual as they emerge. Until all sections have been updated, some cross referencing will be inaccurate.

**Section A** contains practical guidelines for forensic examination and medical care of adult victims of sexual assault. For ease of use, references have been kept to a minimum. Forms and templates that can be used in your clinical situation are marked with a printer icon.

**Section B** contains guidelines for children and adolescents.

**Section C** contains important reference material.

Note that previous appendices are now included in the main body of each individual section.

The technology of the Web will allow DSAC to regularly up-date sections in response to new knowledge. Users can browse and download in print individual chapters as they wish.

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## Update from ESR Paige McElhinney

### General Lab Stuff

In the past, you may be aware that we swore by “Medi-wipes” for cleaning equipment to remove any DNA present. We have now switched to “Trigene” - a product currently used in many hospitals and has been found to be more effective at removing the DNA than the Medi-wipes. In addition the Trigene has the added advantage of being non-caustic and safer to use than ethanol or bleach, but can be a minor irritant to the skin. We use both ready made Trigene wipes for convenience and a 1:50 dilution of Trigene in water for large surface cleaning. Do contact Paige at ESR if you require any further product information.

### DNA Stuff

Advances in DNA technology and the utilisation of LCN (Low Copy Number) DNA analysis means that areas where someone may have been restrained can be targeted for DNA analysis. This includes both skin and clothing contact. During the medical examination questions are already asked about whether they may have been grabbed in a certain area or restrained in a certain way. If there is some way of determining exactly where on an item they were held, for example the top of the left shoulder etc, we can target those areas for DNA analysis. If appropriate please add additional notes or diagrams about exactly where the clothing was held.

*Paige McElhinney*

*Forensic Scientist ESR*

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## OOPS!

In our last issue we incorrectly tagged Lyn Fairs in a photo on page 5. The beautiful smiling face was actually Leanne Collier-Wilson's, Clinical Supervisor Social Work, Te Puaruruhau

## GPs Pay Rise at Sex Assault Units in Ireland

A recent article in the The Irish Times (28th August 2007) advised readers that “GPs who engage on out of hours “on call” work at sexual assault treatment units are to receive increased payments linked to the rates paid to on-call consultants” from September 2007. GPs will continue to receive on-call payments of •122 on weekday evenings and nights and •200 on weekends and bank holidays. Under these improved pay rates GPs will receive a per case fee of •104 for the first hour and •54 per further hour (previously they received the on-call payment plus an additional flat fee of •100 per case only).

The article also mentioned that two new sexual assault treatment units are expected to be opened in Ireland early next year. “Some •1.5 million is being allocated this year to cover start-up costs and other improvements to services at sex assault treatment units. A total of •2.5 million has been allocated for 2008. Following a national review of the units, the expanded services also include sponsored specialist training for medical and nursing staff and a new on-call system for GPs.... It is intended that the units will work on a 24-hour basis.”

Article in full available electronically from the DSAC Office.

## Memorable quotes from the DSAC RLD Meeting 2008

**Susan Clements** - *“I’ve been around since before DSAC erupted”*

**Jane Batchelor** - *“I’m a bit prehistoric as well”*

**Clare Healy** - *“Coercive support”*

**Jane Batchelor** - *“Wet and dry swabs gone mad”*

**Paul Merton - (British comic)** - *“Well, sanity I suppose is getting people to see the world your way”*

**Johan Peters** – *“We get together and we do look at each other’s briefs”*

**Shaun’s Mum (from the film “Shaun of the Dead”)** re: the zombies - *“They were a bit bitey”*

**Ruth Swarbrick’s Peer Review promotion on the first court case done on the new roster in Rotorua** - when asked how it went the doctor replied, *“All done, good fun!!! I was surprised how much I enjoyed it. It was sure good to have a well prepared Brief of Evidence (thanks to Min)”*

# DSAC Diary of Events 2008

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## DSAC INITIAL PAEDIATRIC TRAINING COURSE in the *MEDICAL ASSESSMENT OF SEXUALLY ABUSED CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS*

Dates: 1-4 April 2008

Venue: Auckland Hospital  
Auckland



The DSAC Office will be  
closed for the holidays from  
22nd December - 14th January

Season's Greetings to all

## OVERSEAS SPEAKER

*Dr Marylene Cloitre*

*"Psychotherapy for the Interrupted  
Life: Treating Adult Survivors of  
Childhood Abuse"*

Auckland - Monday 20th October 2008  
Wellington - Wednesday 22nd October 2008  
Christchurch - Friday 24th October 2008

## *MEDICAL/FORENSIC MANAGEMENT OF ADULT SEXUAL ASSAULT TRAINING WEEKEND*

Dates: 16-18 May 2008

Venue: Marion Davis Library  
Auckland



## Advanced Paediatric Training Course

Christchurch

1st - 3rd August 2008

Venue: To Be Advised

Special Guest Speaker

Lori Frasier MD

Dr. Lori Frasier attended the University Of Utah College Of Medicine and completed a pediatric residency at the University of Washington. She was fellow at the Harborview Sexual Assault Center under Dr. Carole Jenny, from 1988-90. Dr Frasier was on faculty of the Department of Pediatrics at the University of Iowa, from 1990-1995 establishing the sexual abuse evaluation clinic there, and participating in evaluations of physical abuse and neglect. From 1995-2002 she was on the faculty of the Department of Child Health at the University of Missouri-Columbia, Director of the Child Protection program there, and from 1994-2002 was the Medical Director of the Missouri SAFE-CARE Network a network of medical providers trained to provide medical evaluations to abused and neglected children. She is currently the Medical Director of the Medical Assessment Team at the Center for Safe and Healthy Families, Primary Children's Medical Center, Salt Lake City, Utah, and a Professor in the Dept. of Pediatrics at the University Of Utah School Of Medicine. She has published many articles and chapters in the field of child abuse and has lectured locally and nationally. She is the immediate past Chairman of the Executive Committee for the Section on Child Abuse and Neglect of the American Academy of Pediatrics and on the board of Directors of the American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children (APSAC). Dr. Frasier has been appointed to the American Board of Pediatrics, first sub board in Child Abuse Pediatrics.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

Letters to the Editors can be submitted, although publication, editing and abbreviation are at the Editors' discretion. While the principle of 'right of reply' to articles and letters published in the Newsletter is accepted, this right is not automatically granted and is subject to Editorial discretion and the limitations of space - DSAC news and information have priority. All letters submitted must include appropriate contact details and email submissions are preferable so as to reduce the possibility of error in transcription.

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