INVITATION TO ATTEND TWO EVENTS WITH INTERNATIONAL SPEAKERS

"Recognising and Responding to Alcohol Related Brain Injury - An Introduction"



Sonia Berton, CEO of *arbias* and Martin Jackson, Senior Clinical Neuropsychologist.

Alcohol Healthwatch in association with arbias Ltd of Australia is proud to offer a two day programme on Thursday 8th and Friday 9th November 2007, Waipuna Hotel Conference Centre, Mt Wellington, Auckland.

Alcohol and other substance related brain injury (ARBI) has been discussed in the media recently as a 'looming crisis' being a hidden effect associated with a binge drinking culture. *Arbias,* the Alcohol Related Brain Injury Australian Services Ltd provides expertise, training and information across Australia and internationally <u>www.arbias.org.au/</u>

This 2 day programme provides New Zealand professionals working in health, justice, social services, research and the community, with a unique opportunity to understand the implications and social consequences of ARBI and explore some key intervention strategies with experts in the field.

"Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders: What Youth Justice Professionals Need to Know"



Judge Anthony P Wartnik and Kathryn Kelly from Seattle USA

Wellington: Monday 26th November 2007, West Plaza Hotel, 110-166 Wakefield St, Wellington CBD - 9.00am to 1.30pm.

Auckland: Monday 3rd December, 2007 Waipuna Hotel and Conference Centre, 58 Waipuna Road, Mt Wellington Auckland - 9.00am to 4.00pm.

The focus of these seminars is on enhancing the understanding of and responsiveness to FASD affected individuals within the justice system, in particular youth. The programme will include an overview of FASD and assessment, system responses and effective interventions to prevent reoffending and will be of interest to those involved with health, disability, corrections, justice, research, community services and youth development.

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