

Conferences, Seminars, Events, Training

Young people, crime and community safety: engagement and early intervention

25-26 February 2008
RACV Club Melbourne, Victoria

Young people are disproportionately involved in risktaking, antisocial behaviours and other activities which compromise their safety and the safety of others. They are also highly at risk of experiencing reduced opportunities in life through the influence of such factors as low educational attainment, early school leaving, involvement with the law, low socioeconomic status, ethnicity and disability.

This two-day conference, being conducted jointly by the Australian Institute of Criminology and the Victorian Safe Communities Network, will explore approaches to integrating evidenced-based prevention and early intervention strategies to engage young people as active participants in community safety.

To view preliminary notice and call for papers brochure go to
www.aic.gov.au/conferences/2008-YoungPeople/YoungPeople.pdf

Diversity in Health 2008 STRENGTHS AND SUSTAINABLE SOLUTIONS

10 - 12 March 2008
Sydney Convention Centre, Darling Harbour, Sydney



The conference aim is to build on clinical and community models and partnerships, which promote health and well being for diverse population groups. This international conference hopes to draw on the learning's of the past and build on that existing body of knowledge in order to further the agenda of diversity health both nationally and internationally.

Visit www.dhi.gov.au/conference/ for more information.

Parents, families and carers: our place in the human services, our agenda for change

17-18 March 2008
Sydney, NSW

The inaugural conference of the National Federation of Parents, Families and Carers will explore the place of families in the human services and social policy, and develop a national agenda for change.

It will bring together parents, families and carers and their advocacy, self-help and support groups, with service providers, governments and researchers who support an agenda of empowerment and person and family-centred practice. It will explore innovative developments in Australia and overseas, and develop an agenda for policy change, system re-design, and empowerment in fields including early childhood development; child care; education; disability; mental illness; learning, developmental and behavioural challenges; chronic and acute illness; aged care; parental learning and empowerment; and family support.

Visit <http://www.civilsociety.org.au/PFCNationalConference.htm> for more information.

Hunter Youth Mental Health Conference 2008

8 - 9 April 2008
Newcastle City Hall, NSW

The Schizophrenia Fellowship of NSW - Hunter Region are in the early stages of organising the Hunter Youth Mental Health Conference for 2008. The conference will be held at the Newcastle City Hall on April 8 and 9, 2008. The audience will include high school students from across the Hunter region, parents, teachers, youth workers and representatives from community organisations. We are looking for young people who are interested in speaking at the conference on mental health issues which affect young people, or those issues relating to mental illness that young people see as being important. We are also looking for young people who are interested in assisting with the organisation and running of the conference.

Further information can be obtained from the Sunflower Centre on 02 4925 2611, or by emailing nadine@sfnsw.org.au

10th International Paediatric & Child Health Nursing Conference "CROSSING BARRIERS"

30th April - 2 May 2008
Holiday Inn Esplanade Darwin & Darwin Entertainment Centre,
Northern Territory

Paediatric and Child Health Nurses face many barriers in their practice; geographical, cultural, and professional to name a few. This conference aims to show that barriers can and must be crossed to improve health outcomes for children and young people.

Plenary sessions will showcase leaders in Paediatrics and Child Health Care. These speakers will focus on the critical issues in the specialty areas.

Concurrent sessions and posters will address the following themes: Clinical Practice; Child Safety; Nursing/Health Policy and Services Management; Nursing Education; Nursing/Health Research and Informatics; Ethics; and Workforce Issues.

For more details visit www.ipchnconference.com.au/

National Conference on Children & Young People with Disability & Their Families

14 - 15 May 2008
Melbourne Park Function Centre at Melbourne Olympic Park, Victoria



The aim of this inaugural conference is to identify issues, share solutions and celebrate successes. Additionally, discussion will focus on enabling services to better respond to children's and families' needs by focusing on family wellbeing, all-inclusive communities, policy, practice and priorities, and the voice of children, young people and families.

Visit <http://www.nds.org.au/conferences/CYF2008/home.htm> for more information.