

Victorian Dual Disability Service 2010

Workshop Calendar

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Workshop details	Date & time	Workshop Registration close date	Venue Details	Presenters
<i>Assessment Workshop</i>	Monday 15 th February 9.30am-12.30pm	Monday 1 st February	St Vincent's Health Fitzroy Room TBC	Dr Chad Bennett
<i>Challenging behaviours</i>	Monday 17 th May 9.30am-12.30pm	Monday 3 rd May	St Vincent's Health Fitzroy Room TBC	Dr Angela Livingstone
<i>Autistic Spectrum Disorders</i>	Monday 16 th August 9.30am-12.30pm	Monday 2 nd August	St Vincent's Health Fitzroy Room TBC	Andrew Pridding
<i>Management of mental illness in people with Intellectual Disability</i>	Monday 15 th November 9.30am-12.30pm	Monday 1 st November	St Vincent's Health Fitzroy Room TBC	Dr Chad Bennett

Workshop Eligibility: Victorian AMHS and PDRS staff

How to register: Please register by completing the registration form on p. 2 and faxing it back to the Victorian Dual Disability Service on (03) 9288 2953 prior to the Workshop Registration close date

Workshop Information:

Assessment Workshop - Monday 15th February 2010

The aim of the workshop is for AMHS staff to understand the difficulties in the assessment of people with intellectual disability and how to address these. Participants will review definitions of intellectual disability and examine why there is a high prevalence of mental disorders in this group with a focus on serious mental illness. They will also consider the role of the Area mental health service in relation to this population and learn how the presentation of mental illness can be different in this population and what adjustments in practice can be made to account for this. The workshop will employ a variety of learning strategies including lectures, exercises and discussions based on case examples and requires attendees to actively contribute and participate.

Challenging Behaviours - Monday 17th May 2010

The purpose of this workshop is to understand how a person with a developmental disability may respond with challenging behaviour to many different stressors. The session will examine concepts of challenging behaviour, using case examples and discussion groups. Questions will address issues such as who is likely to present with challenging behaviour, and what factors may underlie the development or exacerbation of such behaviours. The principles of management will be discussed, with particular reference to excluding physical and mental illness, and an overview of behavioural management.

Autistic Spectrum Disorders - Monday 16th August 2010

Autism spectrum disorders are lifelong developmental disabilities that affect the way a person communicates and relates to people around them. Problems with social interaction, odd and unusual behaviours and high rates of co-morbid mental health problems mean that people with autism spectrum disorders are likely to be seen by mental health services. The workshop will provide an overview of the current evidence on causes, signs and symptoms, screening and diagnosis. It also describes treatment and management approaches and service provision for people with autism spectrum disorders.

Management of mental illness in people with Intellectual Disability - Monday 15th November 2010

During this session we will consider how to effectively treat and manage mental illness in people with intellectual disability (PWID). The session will incorporate a presentation on good prescribing and specific medication issues for PWID; a case example and group discussion regarding capacity and consent issues – including the use of disability and mental health acts; creation of a multi-disciplinary case based comprehensive management plan using a biological, psychological, social & developmental model and a question and answer session allowing participants to address specific issues and concerns that they have experienced in working with this patient group.

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Attendee's Name:

Organisation / Service Name:

Attendee discipline (i.e. RPN, Psychiatrist, OT):

Email:

Phone:.....

Workshop Name:

Workshop date: / /

Manager's Name:

Managers Signature: