



Cutting Edge 2016
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Invitation to attend Cutting Edge

Celebrating Transformation
Rotorua 7–10 September





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Cutting Edge is the key addiction treatment sector conference held in New Zealand. It provides an excellent opportunity for addiction practitioners, academics, policy makers, government agencies, social services and the broader addiction sector to network, gain fresh inspiration, and learn more about innovative thinking and practice in addiction intervention. Cutting Edge is hosted by dapaanz in partnership with the New Zealand Ministry of Health and Health Promotion Agency.

Celebrating Transformation will focus on transformative practice for individuals and families, organisations and communities.

This year's conference will be held in the culturally rich, thermal wonderland, Rotorua.

Submission for abstracts are now open

submit via www.cuttingedge.org.nz before 27 May 2016

Registrations are now open

via www.cuttingedge.org.nz
register before 31 July 2016 to get the early bird price:

Dapaanz member price: \$440

Non-member price: \$520

Confirmed Keynotes

Professor David Best

David is Professor of Criminology in Law and Criminology at Sheffield Hallam University and Associate Professor of Addiction Studies at Monash University, Melbourne. He has a masters in criminology and a PhD in the psychology of addictions. David has worked in academia and policy research. His primary research interests are recovery and desistance, social networks and recovery capital.



Dr Vili Nosa

Vili Nosa is Senior Lecturer and Head of Department Pacific Health, School of Population Health, Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences, University of Auckland. Dr Nosa's PhD thesis is titled: "The Perceptions and use of Alcohol among Niuean Men Living in Auckland". He is the first person from the island of Niue to have graduated with a PhD. Dr Nosa's interests are Pacific health issues, Pacific men's health, alcohol, tobacco, drugs and substance abuse. He has published widely and sits on a number of boards and advisory committees. Dr Nosa is renowned for the number of Pacific postgraduate students that have graduated under his stewardship.



Dr Denise Blake

Denise is a lecturer at the Joint Centre for Disaster Research, School of Psychology at Massey University, Wellington. Her work in this space encompasses matters of welfare and social justice to inform her commitment to the wellbeing of vulnerable and marginalised communities, both within a disaster context and more generally. Dr Blake has engaged in the alcohol and other drug sector as a consumer, health professional and researcher for over 20 years. Her roles have included working as an addiction counsellor, a health promotion practitioner, and an educator



Kim Ledger

Kim is a respected entrepreneur and the father of Oscar-winning actor, Heath Ledger, who died from an accidental overdose of prescription medications in January 2008. Kim became Patron of ScriptWise in 2014, following an approach by a Victorian couple who had tragically lost two of their children, one of them with opioid dependency.



Tupu Creative

Front line Pacific AOD & Gambling clinicians bring you a snapshot of the struggles of our Pacific youth and families and offer cultural perspective on resolution. A service and consumer perspective on our Pacific NZ born youth who wrestle with a myriad of issues - intergenerational relationships, identity, family relationships, peer pressure, and not least of all substance abuse.

The stories are familiar, real, recurring and perhaps unsurprising. We aim to provoke thoughts for meaningful ways of resolve for Pacific Youth and families in an ever evolving culture and climate.



Mike King

For years, Mike has been known as Mike King, the Kiwi comedian. That role changed dramatically in 2009 with the birth of the Nutters Club, his award winning radio and TV show. The Nutters Club emerged after Mike shared his own experience with mental illness and addiction on late-night talk back radio and listeners became so enthralled they felt compelled to ring in and share their own experiences. Without realising it, he had given others who had never talked about their own problems, permission to do so. Mike is passionate about young people: so passionate he travels the length and breadth of New Zealand giving his time to help youth embark on their own positive journey in life.



Ian MacEwan

Ian has worked for 46 years in addiction treatment. His experience includes working with homeless men, a hospital-based service, half-way houses, community detoxification, and community treatment services. Ian has also worked in treatment development for British and New Zealand government agencies for 18 years and was involved in the setup of the National Addiction Centre, Kina Trust, dapaanz and the Addiction Practitioners' Association (dapaanz) where he was executive director for 13 years. He has written over 50 publications and carried a social work and supervision caseload in addiction treatment throughout his career.





dapaanz

fostering excellence in addiction practice

Who is dapaanz?

Dapaanz is the New Zealand professional association for people working in addiction treatment. We support and foster an excellent, ethical and culturally responsive addiction workforce that helps people struggling with addictions to get high quality, effective help. We do this by:

- supporting members
- overseeing the addiction workforce's ethics and competencies
- providing professional development opportunities
- telling members inspiring stories to enhance perception of the workforce
- managing practitioner endorsement and registration
- advocating for the workforce on issues affecting them and their clients

Tatou uara / Our Values

Whakamana / Effectiveness

We judge our success by the calibre of those in addiction practice

Whakamanawa / Positive

We are unrelenting in our effort to make a difference

Mana Motuhake /Empowerment

We believe that people have the power they need to act for themselves

Atawhaitanga / Compassion

We treat people with dignity and empathy

Tika / Real

We don't shy away from saying what needs to be said. We are truthful in our actions and realistic in our expectations.

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