



Newsletter September 2010

Welcome to the first newsletter for Childplayworks!

Thank you for your interest in Childplayworks. We are very passionate about Child Centered Play Therapy (CCPT) and we very much enjoy sharing this passion with others.

Child Centered Play Therapy Training in New Zealand

'An Introduction to Child Centred Play Therapy' workshop

As a result of numerous enquiries for Play Therapy training in New Zealand, Childplayworks now offers training in the very unique, specialised modality of CCPT. Since the end of 2009, we have run three successful 'An Introduction to Child Centered Play Therapy' 2-day workshops. 'An Introduction to Child Centered Play Therapy' is a standalone workshop but it also becomes Module 1 of further training.

Module 2

Our first Module 2 training will be 14,15,16 October 2010, with this being the next stage of our 5-Module training. Modules 1-5 will thoroughly cover the basics of working with children therapeutically in the unique world of CCPT. For our Module 2 training we are pleased to welcome Trish Searle who is a lecturer in Early Childhood Education at Wintec to be our presenter for the Child Development and Attachment Theory content. Whilst we will be connecting this to CCPT, we are very appreciative of Trish's knowledge in this area and we look forward to having her as part of our team.

2011 Training

Childplayworks will run two further 'An Introduction to Child Centered Play Therapy' workshops in 2011, with these now covering 3 days because of course content. The first 3-day workshop will be 17,18,19 February 2011 and the next will be in August 2011 (dates to be confirmed).

Throughout 2011, we will run Modules 3,4,5 with this completing the first stage of basic training in CCPT. At the end of this basic training, supervision (in CCPT) and practicums will be necessary. The two 'An Introduction to Child Centered Play Therapy' workshops will lead into Module 2 at the end of 2011, and so the 2-year cycle will continue. If circumstances mean that one is unable to complete the 5 modules during this timeframe, they can always be continued with the following year.

Childplayworks is very pleased to announce that Play Therapy Australia (the leading training organization in Australia in Child Centered Play Therapy) is supporting our training. Their support means a lot to us and we extend our thanks to Jill Pagotto of Play Therapy Australia for this.



We are exploring options for offering a qualification in CCPT and for this to be recognised in New Zealand. Our training in CCPT requires that a person has acquired a base qualification (or be students in training) in a field such as counselling, social work, psychology, psychotherapy, etc., and for this to be recognised by a professional Association in New Zealand for safe and ethical practice. As such, further training in a specialised field such as CCPT will fit underneath that base qualification. Some have indicated that for them, a qualification in CCPT is not necessary. However, to be able to offer people a qualification for the training we offer in CCPT would be great! We will let you know further developments when they occur.

An Opportunity for 'An Introduction to CCPT' Workshop in Your Area

All our training so far has taken place in Hamilton.

If there are sufficient numbers for a successful workshop, we will consider bringing one of our 'An Introduction to Child Centered Play Therapy' workshops in 2011 to another main location (e.g. Wellington, Auckland, Christchurch, etc).

Please contact us if this would be of interest to you and if you know of others who would be interested in making up the numbers for a successful workshop in your area.