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Share and Connect - Understanding and Responding to Challenging Behaviour



TOPIC: Join Jenn Colechin discuss Understanding and Responding to Challenging Behaviour

DATE: Wednesday 29 November from 7.30pm - 9.00pm (online)

REGISTER: via [Zoom](#)

Jenn is a Board Certified Behaviour Analyst (BCBA) and highly skilled clinician who utilises the science of behaviour analysis to guide assessment, strategies and implementation approaches within a positive behaviour support and trauma informed practice lens.

Jenn's practice of specialists areas of behaviour change include direct intervention with individuals and their supporting team and family to ensure the rights of the person are protected through the provision of effective and evidenced based service delivery. Jenn has expertise supporting trauma-affected individuals who engage in challenging behaviours, consulting within multi-disciplinary teams, and person-centred support within group settings. Jenn and her husband's family has been formed through permanent care.

This presentation provides an understanding of challenging behaviour including:

- Knowing the common reasons will provide why challenging behaviour occurs and how to avoid triggers for escalation and
- Practical strategies in how to positively de-escalate and successfully respond to challenging behaviour.

Recruiting - Marketing, Sponsorship and Partnerships Officer

.4FTE Fixed Term Contract

Come and join a team of highly skilled, motivate and compassionate professionals.



PCAF is looking for a creative and experienced and strategic marketer to building awareness of the PCAF brand and purpose and increase revenue through sponsorships and donations.

The position will require:

- Proven experience in brand management and developing high quality promotional material in a not-for-profit organisation.
- Proven experience in developing and executing marketing campaigns across various platforms including Newsletters, website, media/social media, eDMs, and printed publications.
- Experience in conducting market research, understanding latest trends, and evaluating the effectiveness of marketing and partnership activities.
- Proven experience in raising revenue through attracting sponsorships
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- Tertiary or vocational qualifications in Media, Journalism, Communications, Marketing or Public Relations.

Benefits of working at PCA Families:

- SCHADS Award level 5.3 and superannuation.
- Up to three days additional leave over Christmas/New Year period.
- Hybrid, flexible working arrangements.
- Ongoing training and professional development opportunities.
- A supportive and positive work environment.
- Employee Assistance Program (EAP).
- Attractive not-for-profit salary packaging.

For more information:

If you would like to know more about this role, please contact Wendy Mason, CEO on 0499 617 106.

To apply for this role please visit our [website](#)

* Lived Experience of the Out of Home Care sector would be viewed favourably.

Pop culture parenting

One of our members referred this podcast to us to share.

<https://pop-culture-parenting.simplecast.com/episodes/ep-072-batman-begins-developmental-trauma-oUJ3H3YU>

If you don't have time to listen to the long introduction, the podcast starts around 8.30 minute mark.



Allways Christmas party for families



Join Allways Playgroup for their annual festive christmas party

When: 3rd December **Time:** 10.00am

Where: Possum Hollow Playground, Beverley Rd, Heidelberg

RSVP: via email allwaysplaygroup@gmail.com and include child's name and age so we can organise a small gift for them.

Please bring a plate of food to share (no nuts)

Training - Therapeutic Life Story Work

Join Therapeutic Life Story Work Australia (TLSWa), Therapeutic Life Story Work International (TLSWi), and supported by Berry Street, for our inaugural TLSWa Symposium in November. Held over two days, attendees will hear from, and learn alongside TLWi Director Richard Rose, TLSWa Chair Elise Saunders, local and national presenters, practitioners and young people with lived experience.



Day One: Growing the narrative through TLSW

Organisations, peak bodies and professionals are invited to hear about how systems change, courage and deeper thinking has supported better outcomes for children and young people engaged in therapeutic life story work. Join us as we explore through a keynote from Richard Rose and other presenters, how we as a community, have and continue to support children and young people to make meaning of past and present experiences, and to move forward with a healthier sense of self and belonging.

Cost: Single day: \$150 (inc GST)
Two days; \$240 (inc GST)

When: Wed 15 & Thurs 16 November 2023

Where: Amora Hotel, Melbourne, Victoria

Register [here](#)

Join Day Two: Exploring the narrative of TLSW

A rich day of practice exploration is promised as we explore how practitioners across Australia have successfully used TLSW within their everyday work from education through to case management, to adoptions and working alongside adults. Engage in hands-on exploration of tools and techniques that you can take back into your practice.

The day will conclude with the MacKillop Family Services Networking Event giving attendees an opportunity to meet and share their stories with other like minded professionals, practitioners and community members.

Carer Assistance Program - Therapeutic Support

Self referral available [here](#).

DFFH Flexible Funding - Funding Additional Needs

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Helpline - Information, support and referrals

Further information available [here](#).

Better Futures and Home Stretch - Support to 21

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