



NZ Family Court Specialist Psychological Group.

Register Now!!!! Family Court Report Writers Conference.

May 3rd 2024.

We are bringing world class experts in key areas of our work to New Zealand for this conference and as a result we are making Day 2 of the conference (Friday May 3rd 2024) available to other professionals who also work with children and families within the Family Court. Please let others know about this exciting event.

Presenters on the 3rd May will be:

Professor Michael Saini, Factor-Inwentash Professor at University of Toronto. Professor Saini is a well-known researcher in post-parental separation child care and state-intervention with children and young people. His current research interest lies in considering the science of false polarization effects in family law and the efforts towards depolarization. He is also president-elect of the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts (AFCC). Professor Saini will do two presentations plus a question and answer session. <https://socialwork.utoronto.ca/profiles/michael-saini/>

Professor Saini has also offered to make himself available outside of the Conference, he will be here about a week, for discussions, other meetings – whatever will enhance the work of Family Court professionals.

- Professor Bruce Smyth, Australian National University, Canberra. Professor Smyth is a well-known researcher in family and social policy. Professor Smyth will speak on Entrenched Post Separation Parenting Disputes: The role of interparental hatred. Professor Smyth will also present some research ideas on Shared- time Trends pre and during COVID. <https://researchers.anu.edu.au/researchers/smyth-b>
- Steven Bradley, Safety and Technology Expert Our Family Wizard is an expert in the of the uses and abuses of technology. He is an expert in how technology generated information (texts, emails, video clips) can be manipulated, and the harm that technology can do when family violence is an issue (stalking for example).

The Conference will be held at Rydges Hotel Wellington. Fee \$500 (lunch included).

Registration Forms and further information is available from calverts@iconz.co.nz

Please let us know if you would like to receive updates about the Conference. We are happy to provide further information, contact us on calverts@iconz.co.nz.

Kate Burke, Sarah Calvert, Justine Croxen and Kath Orr. Convenors