

# TAKE A WALK ON THE WILD SIDE - Communicating Change



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**Speaker: Gregory Nicolau**

**5 December 2012**

**SEMINAR**



**HALF DAY**



**australian  
childhood  
trauma  
group**



**Date**  
05/12/2012

**Time**  
Registration: 9.30am  
Seminar: 10am - 1pm

**Location**  
Edgar Lynch Training & Meeting Rooms  
3 St David Street, Fitzroy, Australia 3065

**Cost**  
Workers: \$100+GST  
Carers / Full-time Students: \$85+GST

Swearing, violence, withdrawing, tantrums and lying are but a few behaviours traumatised children / young people use to tell their 'story' and stay in control. Developing communication skills that enable a worker or carers to translate the meaning of the behaviour and make it transparent, promotes healing. Further it assists the child or adolescent to create a 'language' that enables those around them to more easily understand what it is they need.

### **Seminar Objectives:**

- To understand the impact trauma and abuse has on the communication style of the child / young person
- To discover that communication is more than talking
- To understand why it is that what you say is not always what they do
- To gain knowledge about how language is processed in the brain of an abused child / young person
- To learn to translate what is said by deciphering children and young people's language and behaviour
- To develop the ability to 'plant seeds' in order to effect behaviour change

### **Suitable Audience:**

- Carers & workers from foster, permanent, residential, adoptive & kinship care
- Family service workers
- Child protection workers
- Case managers
- Youth Justice
- Teachers / teacher's aide
- Student welfare / wellbeing professionals



Gregory Nicolau is the company Director and Consultant Psychologist of Australian Childhood Trauma Group. He has a 30 year career working with the most marginalised and vulnerable children, young people and families in our community and the agencies, organisations and education facilities who support them. He has an exceptional reputation dealing with complex cases and situations in a compassionate and focused manner. He's transparent in dealing with staff and organisations and able to challenge when appropriate. He enjoys supporting people to deliver the best outcomes for infants, children and young people and is an experienced trainer, facilitator and case supervisor. Gregory is also founder and chair of Random Acts of Kindness.

**Online  
registrations  
available**

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### **ENQUIRIES**

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**PAYMENT OPTIONS**

- Cheques/Money Orders made payable to "START"
- Electronic direct deposit to: "START"  
BSB: 083 170 Account: 164 265 208
- Eftpos/Cash on the day.

**Please provide remittance**

**RSVP**

By 28 November 2012. Please send the required information in an email (preferred) or complete registration form and post/fax.  
Cancellations must be received no later than 5pm, 28 November 2012.

**Places are limited so please book early to avoid missing out!**



Agency:

Program:

Contact Person:

Contact Number:

Email:

Mailing Address:

(Please provide billing contact details if different from agency details provided above)

Name & Email Address of Each Participant:

PARTICIPANT NAME	EMAIL ADDRESS	CARER / WORKER

- Please notify us if you have any special dietary requirements.
- Receipts will be provided upon request.
- Participants will receive a letter of confirmation via email with a map and venue parking details.
- To give carers and workers in the Out of Home Care sector wider access to START training, a series of training DVD's are being developed that will be available through START's website. For this reason, we wish to notify you that this training seminar may be filmed for this purpose.

**Seminar Enquiries and Registrations to:**  
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