


ASPIA Newsletter – February 2019

 Our next **ASPIA partner support group meeting** (in Burwood, Sydney) will be Saturday 2 February 2019, and our Presenters for this meeting will be **Clinical Psychologist Dr Hugh Walker and Registered Psychologist Genevieve Fyfe** from Diverse Minds Psychology Clinic in Erskineville, Sydney.

The Topic will be “**Broaching the Possibility of Diagnosis with a partner, and ‘What to Expect’ from a diagnostic assessment**”.

Biographical Summaries:

Hugh completed a Bachelor of Business Administration with Bachelor of Arts majoring in Psychology with first class honours from Macquarie University from 2005 to 2010, then undertook postgraduate training in clinical psychology at the University of Queensland from 2013 to 2016. Hugh has worked with clients from across the lifespan and with a broad range of psychological, developmental and behavioural concerns, and has a specific interest in autism spectrum conditions. He is passionate about evidence-based clinical practice. From 2014 to 2016, at the Minds and Hearts Clinic in Brisbane, he was supervised under Dr Michelle Garnett and Professor Tony Attwood. He completed the Graduate Certificate of Autism Diagnosis through the University of Western Australia which included training in the Autism Diagnostic Observation Schedule (ADOS). He completed his clinical psychology registrar training under the supervision of Steve Den-Kaat of Diverse Minds Psychology Clinic in Erskineville, Sydney.

Genevieve qualified for her Masters degree in Clinical Psychology at Macquarie University. She has experience in the assessment and treatment of children, teens and adults with anxiety disorders and more recently has gained experience at Diverse Minds Psychology Clinic under the clinical supervision of Clinical Psychologist Steve Den-Kaat, providing assessment and therapy to individuals experiencing social and emotional challenges associated with Autism Spectrum Conditions.

See www.diverseminds.com.au for more information about Diverse Minds Psychology Clinic.

Please join us from 1.30pm for a 2.00pm start.

ASPIA meeting location: Club Burwood at 97 Burwood Road, Burwood (Sydney) (corner George Street)

Who can attend: Partners and family members seeking support from the non-Asperger perspective.

Cost: \$10 for non-members, \$5 for members (membership is \$55 per year and includes several benefits including borrowing books from the library and being part of a private facebook group.)

Parking: The cheapest and closest parking is directly behind the Club in **John Street**. Wilson car park - \$5.

Lunch Club: Bistro area from 12 noon for those who'd like to chat over lunch before the meeting.

Dinner: Staying back afterwards for a drink or dinner has become popular.

ASPIA's Meeting Dates for 2019

February 2	March 2	April 6	May 4	June 1	July 6
August 3	September 7	October 5	November 2	December 7	No mtg January

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