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New Zealand Association

Of Child and Adolescent Psychotherapists Inc.

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To all members

I have recently been approached by the Secretariat supporting the External Advisory Panel for the Modernisation of Child, Youth and Family. They would like to meet with me, in my capacity as representative of the NZACAP to, " discuss the sector readiness for the potential provision of services to support vulnerable children and young people in New Zealand." They said that they are looking to increase the capability and the skills of the workforce for a potential new operating system including using expertise for trauma based therapy. They also said they would like to discuss the potential for us to provide services for the new system in the future.

To prepare for this interview I was wondering if you, as part of the membership, could think of any information, research, ideas, creative fantasies that I could use to inform this conversation. Have you any thoughts about how Child and Adolescent Psychotherapist's could provide services to this group of children, why should Child and Adolescent Psychotherapists have a a specific role in this potentially new service model- should we be advisors, trainers, supervisors, providers?

The meeting will be happening in the first week of November therefore the time frames for gathering information are very tight but it is important for our association to make all use of avenues to influence decisions for vulnerable children and to promote our work.

Please let me know if you have any information or ideas you would like me to take to this meeting.

Kind Regards

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