Colloquium: Adversity and Development: Dissociation… Friend or Foe?

Speaker:
Fiona Kennedy and David Pearson

Date / Time:
January 31, 2013 - 3:45pm - 5:30pm

Venue:
10th Floor, Auditorium, Pixel A, APU

Abstract:
This lecture will discuss the mechanisms by which child adversity leads to mental health problems for both children and adults, with special reference to dissociation as key. As well as theory, we will take time to examine how problems look in the classroom or clinic and practice some helpful responses to these.

A Note on the Speaker:
Fiona Kennedy, Consultant Clinical Psychologist, was formerly an NHS Director of Psychology and Honorary Tutor at the University of Southampton and is now MD of GreenWood Mentors Ltd. She has published on dissociation and specialises clinically in adult survivors of trauma, personality disorder and dissociation.

David Pearson, Consultant Clinical Psychologist, is a specialist in child and adolescent mental health, formerly an NHS Head of Psychology and Honorary Tutor at the University of Southampton. He has published in a number of peer reviewed journals covering areas such as child hallucinations, hyperactivity, imaginary companions and the behavioural effects of food additives. Fiona and David have together edited a new book, ‘Cognitive Behavioural Approaches to the Understanding and Treatment of Dissociation’, due out in May this year.