

**A regular news brief on the recent activities of the team from the Children Of Parents with a Mental Illness national initiative.**

## ☆ Department of Health and Ageing Funding

- ☆ The 2010-2012 phase has commenced with a burst of enthusiasm and an array of activities.
- ☆ An overview of the 2010-2012 phase is available from the COPMI website at [http://www.copmi.net.au/about/aims\\_objectives.html](http://www.copmi.net.au/about/aims_objectives.html).

## ☆ COPMI 2010-2012 Reference Group

- ☆ Draft Terms of Reference for the COPMI National Reference Group, 2010-2012, have been agreed by the Department of Health and Ageing and prospective members are currently being invited to participate.

## ☆ Network Mosaic Conference

- ☆ Elizabeth Fudge will present a keynote address and co-facilitate a workshop at the Network Mosaic Conference on 10 August 2010 in Auckland. Network Mosaic is an initiative with a focus on children and youth with family/whanau members experiencing mental health and/or addiction issues.

## ☆ COPMI Website

- ☆ If your organisation has activities occurring around Australia that may appeal to the community and you would like these included on the COPMI website's Community Noticeboard, please complete the online form that can be found at <http://www.copmi.net.au/jsp/noticeboard/notice-add.jsp>. Community Notices will appear after they have been approved by a COPMI Project Support Officer and will automatically be removed from the website the day after the publicised date.

## ☆ Workforce Development

- ☆ The COPMI office continues to receive favourable feedback and suggestions about the Keeping Families and Children in Mind: COPMI Mental Health Worker Education Resource. If you have not seen the Keeping Families and Children in Mind e-learning resource, go to <http://www.copmi.net.au/worked/index.html>.
- ☆ Jane Creaser (Project Support Officer) who was providing support to the workforce development facilitators who use the Keeping Families and Children in Mind e-learning resource in group settings has moved to another position. We wish Jane all the very best.

## ☆ Staffing

- ☆ Debbie Fairchild has now been employed as a Project Support Officer with the COPMI team.
- ☆ The recruitment process is well underway to fill the COPMI Consumer and Carer Participation Officer and the COPMI Workforce Development Officer positions that are currently vacant.

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