

Media Advisory – Monday 16 May, 2011

Public Health Association, Wellington/ Child Poverty Action Group

The Annual Wellington Post-Budget Breakfast: “*Children: collateral damage?*”

Co-hosted by the Public Health Association, Wellington and the Child Poverty Action Group

The media is invited to attend Wellington’s annual post-Budget breakfast – this year focussing on the likely effects of Budget 2011 on New Zealanders with a particular focus on children, New Zealand’s youngest citizens. The breakfast will be held Friday 20 May from 7:15am until 8:45am at St John’s Conference Centre, corner of Dixon and Willis Streets, Wellington.

The speakers are:

- **Dr Bill Rosenberg:** Economist and Director of Policy at the Council of Trade Unions since May 2009. He holds a B.Com in Economics, a BSc Hons in Mathematics and a PhD in Mathematical Psychology. Bill was previously Deputy Director, University Centre for Teaching and Learning at the University of Canterbury. He is widely published on globalisation, trade and e-learning and has been an active trade unionist for 30 years, including three terms as National President of the Association of University Staff.
- **Alan Johnson** is a social policy analyst with The Salvation Army. He is a trustee of the Auckland Housing Association and Board member of Community Housing Aotearoa. He has an academic background in town planning and economics and has been involved in Auckland local government for more than 20 years. Alan is co-chair of the Child Poverty Action Group and has contributed to numerous of its reports, articles, submissions and presentations.
- **Dr Anne Else** is an independent feminist commentator who has focussed on investigating and writing about social issues related to women and children, from adoption and new birth technologies to unpaid work and social security, alongside a strong interest in women, writing and autonomy. Anne is a long time member of the Child Poverty Action Group and was involved in the editing of *Left Behind: How Social and Income Inequalities Damage New Zealand Children*. (2008).

The breakfast forum will be chaired by CPAG’s Dr Nikki Turner.

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