

DINNER NOTICE Tuesday 18 June 2024 6.30pm for 7.00pm Ellerslie Event Centre

Dear Member

This letter is to advise you of the details of the Society's next event and our guest speaker, **Erik Monasterio**. The title of his speech is:

It is unethical to incarcerate people with disabling mental disorders. Is it also unlawful?

Dr Erik Monasterio is a specialist in Forensic Psychiatry with 25 years' experience. He worked in the public health system from 1992 to 2021, and was the Clinical Director and Director of Area Mental Health Services for the Canterbury District Health Board's Regional Forensic Service between 2014 and 2021. He is now a Senior Clinical Lecturer with the Christchurch School of Medicine.

His main research interests include legal and ethical implications of the incarceration of mentally disordered people, assessment and impact of personality factors and stress responses in extreme athletes and criminal offenders, performance under extreme stress, appropriate and inappropriate use of psychiatric medications, and the effects of trade agreements on health. In his work as a forensic psychiatrist he is involved in the medico-legal assessment and treatment of some of the country's highest profile offenders.

RSVP: Strictly by Wednesday 13 June 2024

As always, we encourage you to invite professional colleagues as guests. For any of your colleagues considering becoming a member this will be an excellent opportunity to attend as a guest. Please notify me of the name of your guest. The dinner fee for a guest is \$110.00 which would be rebated off the membership subscription if your guest joins the Society during the current year.

The guest fee of \$110.00 should be paid to the Society's bank account number 12-3109-0143930-00 or by credit card payment via the Society's website Make a Payment, preferably before 13 June 2024.

Yours sincerely

Catherine Miller Secretary