

## Early Brain Development Presentations

Brainwave has professionally trained presenters available to give presentations on early brain development.

Discover the amazing activities going on in a baby's brain – how it develops and the vital importance of the first three years of life.

### TOPICS COVERED:

- How the brain develops from conception to age three
- How connections in the brain are formed during this time
- Critical periods for emotional control, learning and sight development
- How experiences, both good and bad, shape the brain
- How abuse, trauma and neglect change the way the brain forms, connects and functions
- How to promote healthy brain development and secure attachment
- Risk factors for poor life outcomes

### AUCKLAND/WAIKATO/HAWKES BAY PRESENTERS



#### Hilary Nobilo

Hilary is based in Auckland and has had a significant career working alongside families with a focus on child development including her role as an educator with PAFT, work with teen parents, Roots of Empathy and as a Brainwave presenter.



#### Graeme MacCormick

Graeme is a retired Family Court Judge and Humans Rights Commissioner. He is now using his years of experience and knowledge gained from these roles to provide Brainwave presentations in the Auckland area.



#### Jodie Blackburn

Jodie belongs to a number of community and service groups, including the Zonta club of South Auckland, through which she became involved with the Brainwave Trust. She is a presenter in the South Auckland area.



#### Lyn Tecofsky

Lyn has taught in and managed kindergartens, childcares and home based childcare for many years before diversifying into child protection, adult teaching, victim support and presenting for the Brainwave Trust in and around the Hamilton area and environs.



#### Bronwyn Gardner

Bronwyn is a trained Childbirth Educator, teaching antenatal classes and working as a Birth Doula for Hawkes Bay women and their families, and is a Brainwave presenter for the area.



#### Jane Valentine-Burt

Currently Brainwave's Presenter Co-ordinator/Trainer and a presenter. Based in Auckland, Jane comes from 11 years of experience as a Police Officer who has specialised in Family Violence Prevention and is dedicated to passing on our scientific knowledge about early brain development.

Email [info@brainwave.org.nz](mailto:info@brainwave.org.nz) for more information, pricing guidelines or to book a presentation; or phone 09 5283981

Here are just some of the comments/feedback we have received from attendees at Brainwave Presentations

*"I loved it and found it so interesting and it definitely gives me lots to think about and action over the years ahead with my wee boy."*  
Mother, Christchurch

*"I just wanted to say that it was brilliant! I was extremely impressed with the content and the presenter."*  
Mother, Wellington

*"I will definitely treasure the knowledge I have now of brain development forever thank you!"*  
Early Childhood Educator, Napier

