

Seminar:

After Fukushima ‘Snuggling up to the weak’

Friday 5th June at 11.00 – 12.30 (with a light lunch)

Room 8.7.6



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Abstract

A strong earthquake and huge tsunami happened in the Tohoku district of Japan in 2011, specifically in Iwate, Miyagi, and Fukushima Prefecture. Moreover, the nuclear power plant of Fukushima Prefecture was damaged by the tsunami. As a result, radioactive material spread and caused serious damage which still continues. Approximately 20,000 people died on March 11, 2011. Students, staff and their families from my university were killed in the tsunami. Many of the disaster victims are still living in temporary housing. Even now, some 200,000 people live in temporary housing which is of poor standard for their needs. As a social worker I have provided a disaster victims' support service for four years. In this presentation, I would like to report on my social work activity with disaster victims. All welcome.