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Tackling tobacco on small atolls: tales from a VSA stint in Tokelau

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In 2015, Louise Thornley travelled to Tokelau as a VSA volunteer. Collaborating with local health staff, she consulted with communities about tobacco and ideas for solutions. The team then drafted policy recommendations for tobacco control in Tokelau, informed by local and external advice. Louise will tell the story of this project, reflecting on Tokelau's unique context – and its potential to be an innovative leader in public health.



Before leaping on the boat to Tokelau, Louise worked on a variety of public health research and policy projects for Quigley and Watts Ltd, Family Planning, National Health Committee, Parliament and University of Otago. She's now working in tobacco control at the University of Otago. Louise's earlier background was in youth work and community development.

Friday 19th May 2017 12.30 to 1.15

Small Lecture Theatre, Level D, University of Otago Wellington

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