



# SEMINAR

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## Cash – the silver bullet? Working For Families tax credits’ effect on parental health

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Governments around the world have started using financial credits as “silver bullets” for improving social wellbeing.

The Working For Families tax credits are the New Zealand Government’s prime financial credit interventions for increasing income in low- and middle-income families. This presentation reports the findings from the Tax Credits & Health Study, which used causal inferential methods to investigate the Working For Families tax credits’ effect on parental health.

**Dr Frank Pega** is a Postdoctoral Fellow in the Burden of Disease Epidemiology, Equity and Cost-Effectiveness Programme. His research explores the social determinants of health and health equity, with a focus on establishing the effectiveness and cost-effectiveness for improving health of social interventions, including financial credit and housing programmes.

**Friday 26 September 2014**

**12.30 to 1.30**

**Small Lecture Theatre**

**ALL WELCOME!**

