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Early Childhood Conference
20th September, 2007

Citigate Albert Park
65 Queens Road
MELBOURNE, VICTORIA

*The Centre for Community Child Health, Royal Children's Hospital, Melbourne
in partnership with Johnson & Johnson invites you to join us to celebrate 10 years of the
Childcare & Children's Health program.*



KEYNOTE SPEAKERS:

The keynote address will be provided by Ron Lally, who presented the keynote address at the inaugural conference that launched *Childcare & Children's Health* in 1997.

Ron is an international expert on early childhood development, developing programs and policies for young children and their families since 1966. He is the Co-Director of WestEd's Center for Child and Family Studies, a program that seeks to improve the quality of child care for children birth to three and to help children and families living in poverty. WestEd influences national, regional, and local policies and practices that have an impact on young children and their families.

Ron has directed WestEd's *Program for Infant/Toddler Care* (PITC) since 1985, producing a multitude of training videos providing techniques for secure and intellectually engaging group child care. The program is currently the most widely used training system for infant and toddler caregivers in the United States and provides federal agencies, state agencies, and private foundations with guidance and materials to better meet the needs of families with very young children. He is a founder of ZERO TO THREE: National Center for Infants, Toddlers, and Families. He sits on several national advisory committees, has participated in two White House Conferences on Early Childhood and Brain Development in the late 1990s and has authored numerous publications focusing on early childhood development.



OTHER KEYNOTE PRESENTATIONS:

Anne Stonehouse is a consultant, editor and author in the field of early childhood. Anne also presented a keynote address at the inaugural conference that launched *Childcare & Children's Health* in 1997.

As an author, academic, conference speaker, presenter of professional development, and consultant in Australia and overseas for over thirty years, Anne has published widely. Recent publications are *Making Links- a Collaborative Approach to Planning and Practice*, (2004 with Janet Gonzalez Mena), and *Dimensions – Excellence in Many Ways* (2004). A second edition of *Prime-Times – A Handbook of Excellence in Infant and Toddler Care* (co-authored with Jim Greenman) will come out in September.



Frank Oberklaid is an internationally renowned researcher, author, lecturer and consultant. He is the Foundation Director of the Centre for Community Child Health at the Royal Children's Hospital in Melbourne and a professor of paediatrics at the University of Melbourne. Under his leadership, the Centre for Community Child Health has gained international recognition for its research into early childhood health, development and behaviour. The Centre produces cutting edge work in translating and disseminating research findings to inform public policy, service delivery and professional practice. Frank is the author of two books and more than 150 scientific papers, the editor-in-chief of the *Journal of Paediatrics and Child Health*, sits on the editorial boards of several international journals, and is the founding editor of a series of national publications directed to professionals who work with young children.



CONFERENCE PROGRAM:

Thursday 20th September, 2007

8:00 am to 9:00 am

Registration

9:00 am to 9.45 am

Conference Welcome

Maxine Morand, Minister for Children & Early Childhood Development,
Minister for Women's Affairs
Max Johnson, Managing Director, Johnson & Johnson

9:45 am to 10:45 am

Keynote Addresses:

Title: The Emerging Professional Role of the Infant Care Teacher

Professor Ron Lally

Co-Director, WestEd's Center for Child and Family Studies, CA, USA

10:45 am to 11:15 am

Break

11:15 pm to 12:00 pm

Keynote Address:

Title: Brain Development and the life course - the importance of the early caretaking environment

Professor Frank Oberklaid

Director, Centre for Community Child Health, Melbourne

12:00 pm to 12:45 pm

Keynote Addresses:

Title: Partnerships with Parents—Not Another Thing To Do!

Anne Stonehouse AM

Early Childhood Consultant

12:45 pm to 1:45 pm

Lunch

1.45 pm to 2:30 pm

Title: The Emotional Foundations of Learning

Professor Ron Lally

Co-Director, WestEd's Center for Child and Family Studies, CA, USA

2:30 pm to 2:50 pm

Break

2:50 pm to 3:35 pm

Title: Social Emotional, Cognitive, Language, and Physical Development in 8,18, & 36 month old children

Professor Ron Lally

Co-Director, WestEd's Center for Child and Family Studies, CA, USA

3:35 pm to 3:45 pm

Summary/Close

Professor Frank Oberklaid

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Registration Form



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CONFERENCE FEE \$130.00 incl GST

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Cathy Archer, Centre for Community Child Health, Royal Children's Hospital, Flemington Road,
PARKVILLE VIC 3052 and enclose a cheque for \$ _____ (made out to The Royal Children's Hospital)
2. Mail the completed Registration Form to Cathy Archer, Centre for Community Child Health, Royal
Children's Hospital, Flemington Road, PARKVILLE VIC 3052, or fax it to (03)9345 5892, authorising the
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