

Seminar Series

The Early Years: From Research to Policy to Practice

The Seminar Series is proudly presented by the Murdoch Childrens Research Institute and The Royal Children's Hospital Centre for Community Child Health.

The impact of sleep on children's health, development and learning: from birth through to primary school years

Date: Tuesday 13th November, 2012

Venue: Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre, South Wharf, Victoria

Time: 9.00am – 1.30 pm (Registration from 8.30am)

Background

The Murdoch Childrens Research Institute and the Royal Children's Hospital Centre for Community Child Health invite you to a special half day seminar on 13th November, 2012 at the Melbourne Convention & Exhibition Centre, South Wharf, Vic.

About the Seminar

This seminar brings together researchers and key experts to address the impact of sleep on children. It is designed for early years services, schools, health professionals, local government, policy makers and researchers. It aims to discuss the latest in research into infant and child sleep problems including normal sleep development, common sleep problems, and evidenced-based interventions for the prevention (infant) and management (school children) of behavioural sleep problems.

About the Keynote Speakers

We are excited to welcome:

- Professor Ian St James-Roberts, PhD, CPsychol; FBPsS., is Emeritus Professor of Child Psychology, based in the Thomas Coram Research Unit, Institute of Education, University of London, UK. He has conducted research into children's emotional and behavioural development and problems with the support of the United Kingdom Wellcome Trust, Medical Research Council, Government Home Office, Health Service Executive, Youth Justice Board for England & Wales, and business organisations. He has published extensively in medical and psychological journals, co-edited two books on infant crying and sleeping problems. His most recent book, is called 'The Origins, Prevention and Treatment of Infant Crying & Sleeping Problems: an evidence-based guide for healthcare professionals and the families they support'.
- Associate Professor Harriet Hiscock, is a paediatrician at The Royal Children's Hospital Centre
 for Community Child Health and Senior Research Fellow at the Murdoch Childrens Research
 Institute. She has an interest in infant crying, sleep and behaviour and maternal wellbeing. She has
 a wealth of experience in conducting Randomised Control Trials, reviewing literature, medical
 writing and editing, and engaging with families through clinical work.
- **Dr John Quach,** is a postdoctoral researcher at the Murdoch Childrens Research Institute. He has an interest in children's health and behavioural problems, such as poor sleep, and their impact on children's education in the early years of school. He has experience in conducting Randomised Controlled Trials in primary schools of interventions which aim to improve health and behavioural conditions to enable children to have a healthier start to school.

Also sharing insights about working with vulnerable families will be **Beverley Allen**, Acting Director of Nursing, QEC Early Parenting Centre followed by a panel session with all the speakers.

We hope you can join us at this event. If you would like to register for this event, please fill in the attached registration form and return via email, mail or fax to (03) 9345 5892.

Best Wishes

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Agenda

Registration		
Welcome		
Keynote presentation		
The great infant sleep debate: what roles do parenting behaviour and co- sleeping play? Ian St James-Roberts, PhD, Emeritus Professor of Child Psychology, based in the Thomas Coram Research Unit, Institute of Education, University of London, UK		
Developing the research to inform policy and practice		
Early intervention and prevention to address sleep and crying problems in infants		
Associate Professor Harriet Hiscock, Centre for Community Child Health and the Murdoch Childrens Research Institute		
 Sleep and crying problems are common in infancy and are associated with postnatal depression and, in rare cases, child abuse. Strategies to prevent such infant problems from arising in the first place may help reduce these adverse consequences and could be readily incorporated into the 'new media' of apps and interactive, online experiences. 		
MORNING TEA		
Developing the research to inform practice		
Addressing sleep problems and improving social and emotional outcomes for school age children: Key findings from the Sleep Well Be Well Study		
Dr John Quach, Centre for Community Child Health and the Murdoch Childrens Research Institute		
 Sleep problems during the early years of school 		
 Key findings from the Sleep Well – Be Well study 		
 The next step in the research to practice pathway 		
Working with vulnerable families		
Responsive practice, Responsive parenting and Responsive settling: Working in partnership with vulnerable families		
Beverley Allen, Acting Director of Nursing, QEC Early Parenting Centre		
 Families with complex needs responding to their infants: what are the presenting concerns 		
Using the evidence base in practice		
Panel Discussion with all speakers		
Close		



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Registration Form

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Registration is required by Tuesday 6th November, 2012.

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