

## 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.

### Improving children's outcomes: Creating sustained change

Date: Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2012

Venue: Etihad Stadium, Docklands, Melbourne, Victoria.

Time: 9.00am – 5.00pm (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 full day seminar on **31st October**, **2012** at Etihad Stadium, Docklands, Vic.

#### **About the Seminar**

This seminar brings together researchers and key experts to address two main themes - supporting vulnerable children and their families and measuring quality improvement and the impact of place-based approaches for children. It is designed for early years services, schools, health professionals, local government, policy makers and researchers and is designed to promote a robust discussion about these key areas of effort in order to create sustained change for children's outcomes.

#### **About the International Keynote Speakers**

We are excited to welcome:

- Dr Robert Kahn, MD, MPH, is a general pediatrician, child health researcher, and Associate Professor of Pediatrics at Cincinnati Children's Hospital and the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine. Dr. Kahn's interests lie at the intersection of poverty and child health, seeking to understand what leads to worse health among children growing up in disadvantage, and where we might intervene most effectively. A major area of focus is in population based interventions to improve child health.
   Dr Kahn's visit to Australia was made possible by a grant from the Creswick Foundation.
- **Dr Michael Little** is the Co-Director of The Social Research Unit based at Dartington in the UK and holds professorial positions at the universities of Bath and Exeter, and is Visiting Fellow at Chapin Hall at the University of Chicago. Michael's research focuses on how children's services impact on child development, with an emphasis on connecting research, policy and practice.

Dr Little's visit to Australia was made possible by the Parenting Research Centre, the Australian Research Alliance for Children and Youth (ARACY) and Griffith University.

Joining our international speakers will be a range of Australian speakers including researchers Associate Professor Geoff Woolcock, Griffith University, Dr Robyn Mildon, Parenting Research Centre, Associate Professor Sharon Goldfeld and Dr Tim Moore from the Murdoch Childrens Research Institute and a range of policy makers and practitioners.

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,

Frank Oberklaid, Director, Centre for Community Child Health











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### Supporting vulnerable children and their families

#### **Agenda**

8.30am to 9.00am	Registration			
9.00ам то 9.15ам	Welcome Dr Sonia Sharp, Deputy Secretary Early Childhood Development Group Department of Education and Early Childhood Development (DEECD)			
9.15ам то 9.30ам	A public health approach to vulnerable children: why progressive universalism is needed Professor Frank Oberklaid, Director, The Royal Children's Hospital Centre for Community Child Health			
9.30am to 10.15am	<ul> <li><u>Developing the evidence about supporting vulnerable children and their families</u></li> <li><u>What does the current evidence tell us?</u></li> <li>Dr Tim Moore, Senior Research Fellow, Murdoch Childrens Research Institute and the Royal Children's Hospital Centre for Community Child Health</li> </ul>			
10.15ам то 11.00ам	Developing models of care for vulnerable children and their families- creating the research evidence for what works     Associate Professor Sharon Goldfeld, Murdoch Childrens Research Institute,     Paediatrician, the Royal Children's Hospital Centre for Community Child     Health			
11.00ам то 11.30ам	MORNING TEA			
11.30ам то 12.30рм	<ul> <li>Implementing the evidence to support vulnerable children and their families</li> <li>Implementing with fidelity; the experience of the Northern Territory Intensive Family Support for vulnerable families         <ul> <li>Dr Robyn Mildon, Director Knowledge Exchange and Implementation</li> </ul> </li> <li>Milleara Integrated Learning and Development Centre for Children: a model for leadership and workforce development         <ul> <li>Rose Barletta, Co-ordinator Integrated Early Childhood, Moonee Valley City Council</li> <li>Catharine Hydon, Early Childhood and Professional Learning Consultant Helen Broderick, Early Childhood and Professional Learning Consultant</li> </ul> </li> </ul>			
12.30РМ ТО 1.00РМ	Panel Discussion-Chaired by Sonia Sharp, DEECD			
1.00рм то 1.45рм	Lunch			











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# Measuring quality improvement and the impact of place-based approaches for children

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1.45рм то 2.10рм	Setting the scene: why place? Associate Professor Geoff Woolcock Research Fellow Research Staff, Urban Research Program, Griffith University		
	Keynote presentations		
2.10РМ ТО 2.40РМ	Taking a systems approach to place-based interventions for children     Dr Michael Little, Co-Director of The Social Research Unit, Darlington, UK		
2.40рм то 3.10рм	Measurement for impact-understanding disadvantaged communities families and children     Dr Rob Kahn, Associate Professor of Pediatrics at Cincinnati Children's Hospital and the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine		
3.10рм ТО 4.45рм	FACILITATED DISCUSSION  Measuring the impact of place for policy and practice  Chaired by Associate Professor Geoff Woolcock  Discussants (15 minutes each) followed by facilitated discussion		
	What do the current data tell us?	Joyce Cleary, Manager, Outcomes for Children & Young People, Research and Analysis Division, DEECD	
	Providing local outcomes data to inform the Tasmanian Child and Family Centres in Tasmania	David Haynes, Kids Come First Project, Department of Health and Human Services, Tasmania	
	Child Friendly Cities: Now we have the State of Bendigo Children's Report, where to next?	David Pugh, CEO, St Luke's, Bendigo and Chair Child Friendly City Committee	
4.45РМ ТО 5.00РМ	CLOSE		











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### Registration Form

Please fax registration form to 03 9345 5892 or email to <u>catherine.archer@rch.org.au</u> Registration is required by Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October, 2012.

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For enquires please phone (03) 9345 6337

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