



**EARLY CHILDHOOD
LEARNING & DEVELOPMENT
CONFERENCE**
29 - 30 March 2019 Perth, Australia

2019 Early Childhood Learning & Development Conference Friday & Saturday 29 - 30 March 2019 Crown Perth

Updated 15/3/2019

FRIDAY 29 MARCH 2019

Crown Ballroom 1

08:30 - 08:35	Welcome to Country, Mr Barry McGuire
08:35 - 09:10	Conference Opening, Colin Pettit, Commissioner of Children & Young People
09:10 - 09:15	Ms Lorraine Thomas, Early Childhood Development, Minderoo Foundation
09:15 - 10:10	Keynote Address 1: Dr Nat Kendall-Taylor
10:10 - 10:35	Morning Tea and Exhibition - Crown Ballroom 2

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10:35 - 11:20	Dr Louis Cozolino [90 min]	<i>Hear the voices of 6,000 parents: What does meaningful engagement look like from a family view and what can Educators do to support them</i> Sharon Carlson, Storypark	<i>Enhancing The Capacity Of The Early Learning And Care Sector To Respond To Vulnerable Children And Families</i> Kim Hamilton, Goodstart Early Learning & Dr Kim Clark, CoLab & Jennifer Irvine, Research Consultant	<i>Building Agency For Parents Through Early Intervention And Education</i> Jane Miller, Connecting Community for Kids	<i>Creating A Future-Focused Learning Culture</i> Nathan Ducker, Trish Somers & Helen Hepworth, Penrhos College	<i>Protective Education In The Early Years</i> Holly-Ann Martin, Safe4Kids [90 min]
11:20 - 12:05		<i>Ngulluk Koolunga Ngulluk Koort (Our Children Our Heart)</i> Dr Brad Farrant, Telethon Kids Institute, UWA	<i>Key Factors To Making A Difference For A Child With ASD</i> Gerdamari Van Der Watt, Autism Specific Early Learning & Care Centre	<i>What Does The Concept Of Parents As First Teachers Mean In 2019?</i> David Zarb, Playgroup WA	<i>Better Beginnings Family Literacy Program: Connecting With Your Community Through Local Public Libraries</i> Michelle Campbell, State Library of Western Australia	

12:05 - 12:50 Lunch Break and Exhibition - Crown Ballroom 2

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12:50 - 13:20	Invited Speaker: David Zarb
13:20 - 13:25	Child Australia Board: David Ansell and Dr Karen Murcia
13:25 - 14:20	Keynote Address 2: Dr Louis Cozolino

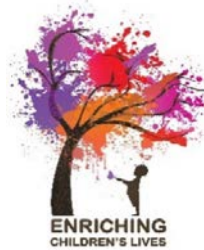
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14:20 - 15:05	Dr Nat Kendall-Taylor [90 min]	<i>Learn some simple meditation tools for your classroom and how mindfulness can benefit you personally as well as your students.</i> Brayden Zeer, Mindfulness Meditation Australia	<i>Beyond Compliance: Leading Pedagogical Change In School-based Early Years Teams</i> A/Prof Dee O'Connor, The University of Notre Dame Australia	<i>Engaging Families And Communities – The Why And How</i> Jennifer Chaplyn, Same Page Organisational Development Consultancy	<i>Child's Play: Strategies to Meet the NQS Framework for ECEC Physical Environment Standards</i> Dr Hayley Christian & Todd Dawson, PLAYCE UWA & Goodstart	<i>"Why Don't They Go?" Unpacking The Complex Journey Of Families Of Children With Developmental Delays Through Early Intervention, And How We Can Better Support Them</i> Belinda Cuomo, Curtin/CoLab
15:05 - 15:50		<i>Me@3: Passport to Support Families With Young Children To Understand Child Development And Overcome Social Isolation</i> Megan Mitchell, Wanslea Early Learning & Development	<i>Playful Inquiry To Enrich Children's Learning</i> Dr Madeleine Dobson, Curtin University	<i>Enhanced Transition To Schools - Connecting Playgroups With Schools</i> Dianne Mazzucato, Playgroup WA	<i>GoodFuture: Using Disciplined Innovation To Transform Early Learning And Care</i> Keren Caple & Todd Dawson, UWA & Goodstart	<i>The Role Of Therapeutic Playgroups In Targeting Children And Family Needs When First Referred To Early Intervention Services</i> Jodie Armstrong, Curtin/CoLab

15:50 - 16:10 Afternoon Tea and Exhibition - Crown Ballroom 2

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16:10 - 17:15	Invited Speaker: Prof Caroline Fewster
17:15 - 17:30	Conference Wrap-Up
17:30 - 18:30	Networking Meet Up



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Welcome

Keynote Address 3: Mr Peter Hutton

Invited Speaker: Dr Sandra Hesterman

Delegate Address, Hon. Simone Frances McGurk MLA BA, Minister for Child Protection; Women's Interests; Prevention of Family and Domestic Violence; Community Services

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08:25 - 08:30
08:30 - 09:30
09:30 - 10:00
10:00 - 10:10
10:10 - 10:35

Dr Justin Coulson
[90 min]

Liam McNicholas
[90 min]

Building Resilience, The Role Relationships And Nature Plays In Promoting Emotional And Social Wellbeing
Niki Buchan, Nature Nurture Early Intervention Project

"But if we're not the boss, children will walk all over us!" Supporting Educators To Work Collaboratively With Children Rather Than Creating Adult Controlled Spaces & Behaviours
Narelle Nettelback, Child Australia

Implementing Digital Technology In Early Childhood Settings
Stephanie Jackiewicz, Wanslea Family Services

An Early Years System That Works For Everyone: What Does It Look Like?
Sarah Murthy & Dr Kim Clark, CoLab
[90 min]

11:20 - 12:05

Exploring The Botanical Literacies Of Educators And Children
Kimberley Beasley, Murdoch University

Watching Over Children As They Play & Explore Leads To Best Practice In Relationship Building And Learning Opportunities
Connie Borg, Child Australia

Spatial Thinking Through Play: Young Children's Use Of An Augmented Reality Sandbox
Rhys George, Bold Park Primary School

12:05 - 12:50

Lunch Break and Exhibition - Crown Ballroom 2

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12:50 - 13:00
13:00 - 14:10

Delegate Address, Hon. Sue Mary Ellery MLC, Minister for Education and Training; Leader of the Government in the Legislative Council

Keynote Address 4: Dr Justin Coulson

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Peter Hutton
[90 min]

Prof Caroline Fewster
[90 min]

Oh The Trauma Of It All... Working From A Trauma Informed Approach To Support The Wellbeing Of Children & Families With Holistic Care For Teams
Kellie Johnson, Child Australia

Growing Strong Brains: An Interactive Toolkit Used In WA With Aboriginal Parents, Caregivers, Families And Communities
Kim Johnson, Ngala Community Services WA

Eat Well, Play Well, Stay Well for Life
Jodie Cunningham, Child Australia

Data To Practice - Using Data To Spur Action in Midland
Rae McAllister, Midland Place-Based Work

14:55 - 15:40

The Faces & Facts Of Family Violence: Understanding The Dynamics To Broaden Perspectives And Provide Insight To The Complexities For Families Impacted
Louise Lamont, Phoenix Support & Advocacy Service Inc

Many Spokes, Same Hub: Facilitating Collaboration Among Library & Early-Childhood Services To Improve Outcomes for Children
Freya Lucas, The Sector

Developing A Culture Of Critical Reflection: A Process Of Critical Reflection Supporting Quality Pedagogical Practice
Nadia Wilson-Ali & Anthea Casey, Think Childcare Limited

Nurture Groups - Effective Early Intervention
Stephen Soames, Westfield Park Primary School

15:40 - 16:00

Afternoon Tea and Exhibition - Crown Ballroom 2

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16:00 - 16:50
16:50 - 17:20
17:20 - 17:30

"Dispelling the Myths" Panel Q&A Liam McNicholas, Natalie Gulberti (ECRU), Sara Hinchley (Child Australia) & Rosemary Cahill (Department of Education)

Invited Speaker: Ms Helen Creed

Conference Closing & Prize Draw