

International Family Day Care Organisation

Triennial International Conference

‘Celebrating Quality Family Childcare’

University College Cork 22 – 25 July 2009.

Additional Keynote

Prof. Jacqueline Barnes

*Institute for the Study of Children, Families and Social issues,
Birkbeck, University of London, UK*

Abstract: The Families Children and Child Care Study: Use of childcare, its quality and outcomes up to age 3 years.

The purpose of the Families Children and Child Care (FCCC) Study, the most detailed and largest English study of child care, was to examine the short and longer-term effects of childcare on children's development between birth and school entry. The following types of care were studied: care at home by mother and/or father; care by grandparents, other relations, or friends; care by nannies in the child's own home; care by childminders (family day care) in the childminder's home; group care in day nurseries or child care centres, both public and private; combinations of the above. Two research sites were involved, one in North London and the other in Oxfordshire. 1201 families were recruited during pregnancy, between 1999 and 2001 and were followed until their children were 51 months of age.

Results will be presented about the use of childcare, observed quality at 10 and 18 months, factors related to its use and to satisfaction with both child care quality and communication with the caregivers. Results of two in-depth qualitative studies will be presented, one focussing on mothers who use non-maternal childcare before their

infant is 6 months old and the other on fathers who are the primary caregivers of their child in the first year. In addition factors associated with child outcomes at 36 months will be presented. Policy implications of the findings will be discussed.

Seminar Presentations

Presenter: Bridget Murray, Henderson Community College, Associate Professor/Program Coordinator, Interdisciplinary Early Childhood Education 2660. Green Street, Henderson, KY. 42420. USA

Abstract: Who Should Be the Voice of Family Child Care in the United States?

Presenters: Diana Trister Dodge, Founder and President of Teaching Strategies, Author of the Creative Curriculum for Family Child Care.

Abstract: Building a High Quality Family Day Care / Childminding Program: The Creative Curriculum Approach.

Presenters: OMCYA

Abstract: Siolta, the development of quality standards for infant school and childcare settings in the Republic of Ireland.

Presenter: Anne Condie, SCMA, Scotland.

Abstract: Supporting quality childminding: a perspective.

Presenters: Helen Lynch, Lecturer in Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy, School of Clinical Therapies, University College Cork, Brookfield Health Sciences Complex, College Road, Cork.

Dr. Noirin Hayes, Director, Centre for Social and Educational Research, Dublin Institute of Technology, Dublin.

Abstract: Every day learning in every day environments for Children under three

Presenter: Greta Hundley Research 2001) Project Co-ordinator, Family Child Care Services Central Coast, NSW Australia

Liz Shanahan, Family Day Carer for Family Child Care Services Central Coast for 19yrss.

Abstract: Partners in Parenting Programme

Presenter: Dr. Jutta Hinke-Ruhnau,

Abstract: How Family Day Care/Childminding becomes Professional

Presenter: Kate Byrne, Adolescent Psychologist, Kildare, Ireland.

Abstract: Building the Attachment relationship

Presenter: Katy Kenshur, President of the SanDiego County Family Child Care Association, Instructor of “Family Child Care at It’s Best” for the University California of Davis & Family Childcare Provider

Abstract: "Going Green!" Eco Healthy Childcare Come Learn simple and effective techniques to make your childcare an environmentally healthy safe and green as possible.

Presenters: Maeve Milne & Barbara Quinn, NICMA, N.Ireland.

Abstract: Children’s Learning and Development Project

Presenter: Marie Doherty, Project Officer, Curriculum Development Unit, Mary Ummaculate College, South Circlare Road, Limerick City

Abstract: Results of a research study for a degree dissertation last year titled ‘How Childminders Perceive Their Role in 21st Century Ireland?’ with a specific focus on the ‘care and education’ discourse within Ireland present day and how childminders perceive their role.

Presenter: Marion Gamble, Child Care and Training Consultant, UK.

Abstract: Communication/Working in Partnership

Presenter: Mary McGrath, Youth Worker Participative democracy Wicklow VEC, Ireland.

Abstract: Engaging Young Children in democratic structures

Presenter: Dr Elise Davis,,Senior Research Fellow, VicHealth Public Harlth Research Fellow McCaughey Centre, VicHealth Centre for the Promotion of Mental Healgh and Community Wellbeing, School of Population Health, University of Melbourne, Australia.

Abstract: Promoting Child and Parental Mental Health in Family Day Care/Childminding

Presenter: Ramona Freeman,Ph.D. Program Director, Early Childhood Education, Kent State University – Salem, OH, USA.

Abstract: “Male Counterparts in Family Child Care: The Positive Role that Husbands Play in Successful Homes ”

Presenter: Robyn Daff, Team Leader Child Care, City of Kingston, 34 Brindisi Street, Mentone VIC 3194, Australia

Abstract: Love in a Hot Climate - Quality care in a Regulated Environment

Presenter: Rosemary Black, NICMA, N.Ireland.

Abstract: High Scope in Family Daycare/Childminding

Presenter: Sheila Garrity, Childminder Advisory Officer, Galway City and County Childcare Committee, Galway, Ireland.

Abstract: Exploration of Childminding services as provided by members of the settled African community in the Galway

Presenter: Elaine Harris, Trinity College Dublin, Ireland.

Abstract: Growing Up in Ireland - the national longitudinal study of children in Ireland

Presenter: Sue Owen, Director, Well-being, National Children's Bureau, London, UK.

Abstract: The Pedagogy of Childminding.

Presenter: Tamar Almog, M.S Early Childhood & Public Administration, Director of the Daycare Centers Department Ministry of Industry, Trade & Labor, ISRAEL

Abstract: Developing quality standards for all family daycare providers in Israel.

Presenter: Wendy Goldsack, Team Leader Family Day Care, City of Casey, Australia.

Abstract: City of Casey Family Day Care