The Right Intervention at the Right Time

Mr Bill Bartlett, Chairman of the Research Foundation of Cerebral Palsy Alliance, invites you to join us for our Research Briefing with guest speakers Ms Petra Karlsson and Ms Cathy Morgan - Research Fellows, Cerebral Palsy Alliance Research Institute

As seats are strictly limited we recommend that you book your place early to avoid disappointment.

Speakers

Ms Petra Karlsson
Research Fellow
Cerebral Palsy Alliance Research Institute

Ms Cathy Morgan
Research Fellow
Cerebral Palsy Alliance Research Institute

Date and Time

Thursday 31 October 2013, 5.30 – 8.15pm
Presentations commence at 6:00 pm sharp

RSVP by Thursday 24 October 2013
Click here to RSVP: https://researchbriefing-oct13.eventbrite.com
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Venue

AGL Theatre, Museum of Sydney
37 Phillip Street
Sydney NSW 2000

Canapés and drinks will be served before and after presentation.
Please note, this is not a fundraising event.

Ms Petra Karlsson
Research Fellow
Cerebral Palsy Alliance Research Institute

CP Check-Up Program

Many Australian children with cerebral palsy experience chronic pain resulting from secondary complications such as hip dislocation, contractures or other spinal and joint problems.

A health screening program known as ‘CP Check-Up’ can dramatically reduce these problems through a simple surveillance and follow-up program helping families and clinicians choose the best way to ensure a client’s wellbeing and therapy options.

Studies done in Australia and Sweden have successfully proven it can prevent secondary impairments in particular painful hip dislocation, joint contractures and a reduced need for surgery.

In addition to hip surveillance, ‘CP Check-Up’ utilises a variety of assessments to collect information across many aspects of a person’s life including physical status, functional abilities, cognitive ability and emotional health and well being.

Petra co-ordinates and supports the establishment and maintenance of this program and will present some of the emergent findings from the first year of the Australian program.

Ms Cathy Morgan
Research Fellow
Cerebral Palsy Alliance Research Institute

Early Diagnosis and Early Enrichment for Children with Cerebral Palsy

Infants at high risk of cerebral palsy can now be diagnosed early. Early diagnosis enables early enrichment intervention to begin in the critical period for brain development. Cathy is a physiotherapist and is undertaking doctoral research in the
area of early detection and motor learning interventions for infants at high risk of cerebral palsy. She is the recipient of an NHMRC doctoral scholarship for this project and Cathy’s scholarship is generously funded by Balnaves Foundation.

Cathy is also co-ordinating the development of a new research network called International Multidisciplinary Prevention and Cure Team for Cerebral Palsy (IMPACT for CP).

Cathy will present on how early diagnosis can lead to early enrichment intervention and will give an overview and update on the IMPACT research network.