

Community Paediatric Acquired Brain Injury Conference

16 and 17 November 2011



Novita Children's Services provides community based rehabilitation services for children and young adults in South Australia. We invite you to attend our bi-annual conference which will offer insights into paediatric Acquired Brain Injury (ABI) services across Australia, and provide information and strategies regarding education and behavior management. Latest ABI specific research and recommendations for service evaluation and outcome measurement for the paediatric ABI population will be presented by experts in these fields from across Australia.

Participants can register to attend for one or two days. An opportunity for further networking will be provided by an evening dinner with Michele Colmer our inspirational guest speaker on 16 November.

Speakers

We are very proud to have a number of outstanding keynote speakers attending our conference:

Day 1

Mark Le Messurier



Mark Le Messurier is a teacher, author and conference presenter. His background spans twenty years in schools and includes special education, adult education, child-centred education and community education projects. Mark is a recipient of the prestigious Australian National Excellence in Teaching Award. He is a passionate educator. Mark works in schools and in private practice at Fullarton House with children and adolescents he affectionately refers to as the

'Tough Kids'; the kids whose lives are compromised by the unpredictability of their functioning, or by the capricious nature of their home life, or by both.

Emeritus Professor Roger Rees



Roger Rees, Emeritus Professor of Disability Studies and Research at Flinders University, has spent 25 years involved in the rehabilitation and education of people with brain injury. He has taught courses on rehabilitation and management of physical and multiple disabilities at Australian, New Zealand and US universities. Roger is the author of *Interrupted Lives: Rehabilitation and learning following brain injury*. His newly published memoir 'Out of Calamity: Stories of

trauma survivors' relates the often extraordinary courage and resilience shown by the people, often sufferers of severe neurological trauma, whom Professor Rees has assisted during his career.

Michele Colmer



Michele Colmer empowers her audiences to identify what really is important in their lives, utilizing key points and strategies. Michele then lays down the challenges and provides the inspiration for people to move ahead. She has a wicked sense of humour coupled with a candour that cuts through anything fake. Her honesty and frankness is powerful but above all Michele's own story leaves her audiences in no doubt that anything is possible...if you are prepared to dig

deep. Michele was severely injured in a car accident in the year of 1983 at the age of 2. She was basically written off in terms of having any chance of recovery. In fact her parents were invited in to say their goodbyes before she was whisked away to theatre. Suffering massive closed head injuries she not only survived but defied all the odds to be where she is today! Her zest for living is unparalleled! With determination, courage, and a good amount of independence Michele has packed more into her 31 years than most do in a life time! www.michelecolmer.com

Day 2

Professor Robyn Tate



Robyn Tate is Professorial Research Fellow in the Rehabilitation Studies Unit of the Sydney School of Medicine. She is a clinical psychologist and neuropsychologist with extensive clinical experience in rehabilitation after traumatic brain injury. Her research interests include instrument development, evidence-based clinical practice, early recovery and long-term outcome after traumatic brain injury. She has supervised the research of more than 40 students and her

publications include a ten chapter book on outcome measurement and more than 90 journal articles and book chapters. Robyn instigated and is Program Director of PsycBITE, the Psychological Database of Brain Impairment Treatment Efficacy (www.psycbite.com). She is Founding Co-Editor of *Brain Impairment*, the official journal of the Australian Society for the Study of Brain Impairment, and an Executive Editor of *Neuropsychological Rehabilitation*.

Helen Badge



Helen Badge is an Occupational Therapist with over 20 years' experience. She has worked in clinical and managerial roles in Australia and the UK. Her current role as the Outcome Manager for the NSW Brain Injury Rehabilitation Directorate involves development and implementation of state-wide approaches to measure outcomes to support service evaluation and development for paediatric and adult services.

Dr Grahame Simpson



Grahame Simpson is Senior Research Fellow, Research Team Leader/ Social Worker – Clinical Specialist at the Brain Injury Rehabilitation Unit, Liverpool Hospital, a registered Psychologist and member of the Australian Psychological Association. He has practiced, researched and published for 25 years in the field of psychosocial adjustment to traumatic brain injury, and is co-author of the Overt Behaviour Scale.

Location

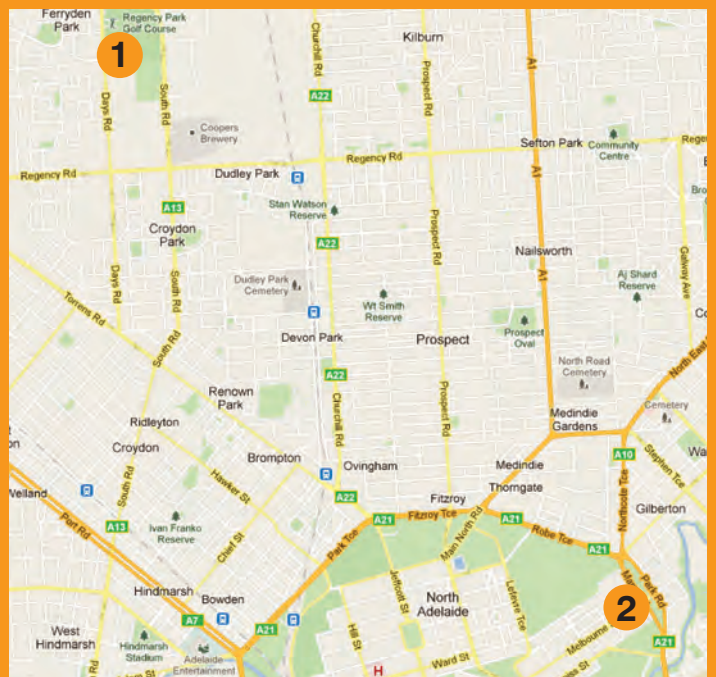
1) Conference

Novita Children's Services
171 Days Road
Regency Park 5042
Phone 8243 8300

*10 minute drive north west
of Adelaide CBD'*

2) Accommodation and Social Event

Adelaide Meridien Hotel
21-39 Melbourne Street
North Adelaide SA 5006
Phone 8267 3033



Day 1 Program

Wednesday 16 November

8.00 am

Registration and welcome

8.30 – 9.00 am

- Welcoming address by Glenn Rappensberg, CEO Novita Children's Services
- "Voices of experience": Consumer perspectives

9.00 – 11.30 am - including morning tea

Paediatric ABI community service delivery across Australia
Presenters from different states across Australia will share their service models. Our aims in this session are to:

- Develop an understanding of community ABI paediatric services across Australia
- Provide information on the strategies for collaboration between inpatient and community services
- Offer opportunities to network with hospital and community based services in other states
- Discuss trouble shooting areas: What are the main obstacles/ solutions to collaborative service delivery?

11.30 – 12.00 pm

Panel Forum – Opportunities for questions and discussion regarding key elements of successful service provision

12.00 – 12.30 pm

Presentation by Emeritus Professor Roger Rees

12.30 – 1.00 pm - Lunch

1.00 – 2.45 pm

Strategies for success: Educational and other interventions for challenging behaviors

- Mark Le Messurier "Teaching Tough Kids"
- Dr Matthew Nairn (Novita Children's Services) "Cognitive strategies in educational settings"
- "Voices of experience": Parents and teachers talk about strategies for successful integration back to school

2.45 – 3.00 pm - Afternoon tea

3.00 – 4.00 pm

Transitions: Hospital to Community; Paediatric to adult services

- Child, Youth & Women's Health Service Ambulatory Program
- Novita ABI Program Team "Case management and transition to adult services"
- BIRCH "Goal setting in early stages of return to community"

4.00 – 4.30 pm

Panel Forum – Opportunities for questions and discussion around successful transitions

- Chair: Emeritus Professor Roger Rees

6.00 pm

Social Event - Conference dinner. Held at The Meridien Hotel, 21-39 Melbourne Street, ADELAIDE. Includes an informal gourmet pizza dinner + dessert, all drinks and entertainment. Our special guest speaker is Michele Colmer.

Day 2 Program

Thursday 17 November

8.30 – 9.00 am

Theatre Group

Carnival Night Shakespeare

"House of Cards: A dramatic look at the experience of ABI"



9.00 – 11.00 am

Current research in the area of ABI/TBI

- Felicity Brown, PhD Scholar University of Queensland "Parenting strategies: Stepping Stones Parenting Program".
- Dr Tim Connell, Clinical Lead (Psychology) Disability Services, Department for Family & Communities "Quality of Life after childhood brain injury"
- Claire Bryan-Hancock, PhD Scholar Research Centre for Injury Studies, Flinders University "The interaction between TBI and mental illness"
- Dr Michelle Bellon, Lecturer Department of Disability and Community Inclusion, Flinders University "Families4Families ABI Support Network"
- Alana Dillon, Social Worker ROBIN, Mater Children's Hospital "The tip of the iceberg: Understanding the grief experience and supporting families with a child with ABI"
- Dr Pammi Raghavendra, Senior Lecturer Flinders University & Novita Children's Service "Effectiveness of internet solutions to facilitate social participation in young people with ABI".

11.00 – 11.15 am - Morning tea

11.15 – 12.30 pm

Focus on service evaluation and outcome measurement

- Helen Badge, Outcome Manager for the NSW Brain Injury Rehabilitation Directorate "Results and lessons learnt from the BIRD Outcome Evaluation Project"
- Dr Angela Crettenden, Novita Children's Services "Measuring outcomes: Overview and current research"

12.30 – 1.00 pm - Lunch

1.00 – 3:30 pm

New tools and approaches:

- Professor Robyn Tate, Rehabilitation Studies Unit of the Sydney School of Medicine: "Measuring support needs and participation in children with ABI: The Paediatric Care and Needs Scale (PCANS) and the Sydney Psychosocial Reintegration Scale – Children's Version (SPRS-C)"
- Dr. Graeme Simpson, Senior Research Fellow, Research Team Leader/ Social Worker – Clinical Specialist at the Brain Injury Rehabilitation Unit, Liverpool Hospital: "Measuring challenging behaviour in children and adolescents with acquired brain injury: The Overt Behaviour Scale – Kids"
- Dr. Colin Sharp, P.E.R.S.O.N.A.L. (Research & Evaluation) Consultancy: "Use of Goal Attainment Scaling (GAS) as an outcome measurement tool"

3.30 – 4.00 pm

Afternoon tea and opportunity for discussion around the challenges of implementing outcome measures in clinical settings.

4.00 – 5.00 pm

Panel Forum

- Chair: Dr Pammi Raghavendra, Senior Lecturer in the Department of Disability and Community Inclusion, Flinders University.

Delegate Registration Form

Register before 14 October 2011 and receive Early Bird Rates. All other registrations by 4 November 2011.

Personal Details

Title: Dr / Prof / Mr / Mrs / Ms / Miss / Other	Badge name		
First name	Family name		
Position	Organisation		
Postal address	Suburb/Town	State	P/C
Email address			
Telephone	Mobile:	Fax:	
Special requirements (eg dietary, accessibility)			

Registration Details

Each delegate must register separately. All amounts are quoted in AUD\$ and inclusive of Goods and Services Tax (GST). Registration includes catered morning and afternoon tea, and lunch.

	Early Bird Registration Before 14 October 2011	Registration After 14 October 2011	
Day 1 & 2 (including dinner day 1)	\$210 <input type="checkbox"/>	\$250 <input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Discount rates available to students, pensioners, clients with a brain injury and their families. Please contact registrar for further details.</i>
Day 1, including dinner	\$160 <input type="checkbox"/>	\$200 <input type="checkbox"/>	
Day 2	\$80 <input type="checkbox"/>	\$100 <input type="checkbox"/>	

Accommodation

Accommodation has been reserved at a special conference rate at the Meridien Hotel, 21-39 Melbourne Street, ADELAIDE 5006. The following rates are quoted in AUD\$ which includes breakfast. Check in is 2.00pm and check out is 10.00am. Note that rooms will be allocated strictly on a first-come first-served basis, cancellation fees may apply. Please tick below.

Twin share/double share	\$81 per person per night	<input type="checkbox"/>	I wish to share with (delegate's name)
Single room	\$152 per room per night	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Check-in date	Check-out date		
Notes / comments / special requirements			

Payment Details

Total registration \$ + Total accommodation \$ = Total fees payable (includes GST) \$

I would like to make payment by: Please tick below

- Cheque (made payable to Novita Children's Services)
 Credit card: Visa Mastercard Amex (please note that if paying with credit card an additional 3% surcharge will apply)
 Electronic funds transfer (account details provided on application)

Credit card number	Expiry Date	Security Number
Name on card	Signature	

Return Details

Please return this form with payment by 4 November 2011 to:

Sandra Nickel
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Email: Sandra.Nickel@Novita.org.au

Note: Numbers are strictly limited, cancellations prior to the 4 November 2011 will be fully refunded, after this date cancellations will incur a 10% administration fee. This document will act as a tax invoice for GST purpose when fully completed and payment has been made. Please retain a copy for your records. ABN 53 137 537 636.