



Novita Children's Services

Division of Research and Innovation

Research Symposium 2009

Wednesday 5 August 2009, 9.00am – 5.00pm

Regency Park Centre Theatre, 171 Days Road, Regency Park.

The 2009 symposium for the new Division of Research and Innovation presents the inaugural Novita oration, research studies conducted by Novita and our partners, and will incorporate an official launch of the new Division by Novita's President, Professor Andrew Downing.

Program

9.00am - 10.30am	<p>Chair: Dr Lloyd Walker</p> <p>Welcome Glenn Rappensberg, Chief Executive, Novita Children's Services</p> <p>Inaugural oration <i>Who cares? How should we work and care in the 21st century.</i> Professor Barbara Pocock, Director, Centre for Work + Life, The University of South Australia</p> <p>Official launch Professor Andrew Downing, President, Novita Children's Services</p>
10.30am - 10.50am	Morning tea
10.50am - 12.50pm	Session One - Chair: Dr Pammi Raghavendra Research Presentations (See over for details)
12.50pm - 1.30pm	Lunch (Provided)
1.30pm - 3.15pm	Session Two - Chairs: David Hobbs and Wendy Wake-Dyster Research Presentations (parallel sessions - see over for details)
3.15pm - 3.30pm	Conclusion Dr Lloyd Walker, Director, Research, Technology and Innovation
4.00pm - 5.00pm	'Thank you' afternoon tea in Regency Park Centre foyer for clients and families, recognising their vital involvement in research projects.

Parents and carers, Novita staff, agencies, university students and staff and all those who are interested are welcome to attend. RSVP by Friday 31 July 2009 on 8243 8261 or email research@novita.org.au



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Session One Information

Chair: Dr Pammi Raghavendra, Novita Children's Services

10.50	<i>Mothers of children aged 6-12 years with autism or cerebral palsy: How much time is required for caregiving?</i> Professor Michael Sawyer , Women's and Children's Hospital and the University of Adelaide
11.10	<i>Investigations into genetic and environmental causes of cerebral palsy.</i> Dr Catherine Gibson , Women's and Children's Hospital and the University of Adelaide
11.30	<i>Training education staff: impact on communication of students using SGDs.</i> Dr Julie McMillan , Flinders University
11.50	<i>The Medical Device Partnering Program - translating research into practical outcomes.</i> Professor Karen Reynolds , Flinders University
12.05	<i>A theoretical dinner party: a fresh perspective on AAC.</i> Darryl Sellwood , The University of South Australia
12.20	<i>Internet use by children and adolescents with physical disabilities: implications for social networking.</i> Dr Pammi Raghavendra , Novita Children's Services
12.35	<i>Hypertonia in childhood - can we see the wood for the trees?</i> Dr James Rice , Women's and Children's Hospital

Session Two Information

Chairs: David Hobbs and Wendy Wake-Dyster, Novita Children's Services

TIME	ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY AND PARTICIPATION	QUALITY OF LIFE AND PARTICIPATION
1.30	<i>Exploring the economics of good provision of AT.</i> Dr Lloyd Walker , Novita Children's Services	<i>Promoting quality of life in children after acquired brain injury.</i> Dr Tim Connell , Disability SA
1.45	<i>Assistive technology use in schools by children with physical disabilities.</i> Helen Parkyn , Novita Children's Services	<i>Participation profiles of primary school children with and without physical disabilities and complex communication needs.</i> Abi Thirumankiam , Disability SA
2.00	<i>Telecommunications access for people with disabilities: a changing world.</i> Rob Garrett , Novita Children's Services	<i>Time use and activity participation in 10-15 year old children with and without complex communication needs.</i> Dr Pammi Raghavendra and Rachael Virgo , Novita Children's Services
2.15	<i>Telecommunications research for people with disabilities and the elderly.</i> Toan Nguyen , Novita Children's Services	<i>Collaboration between health professionals and teachers.</i> Sarah Kennedy , The University of South Australia
2.30	<i>Enabling play and communication through the Bloorview Virtual Music Instrument.</i> Prue Shiosaki , Novita Children's Services	<i>Factors influencing postural management for children with cerebral palsy in special schools.</i> Dr Carol Maher , The University of South Australia
2.45	<i>Changing shank vertical angle in AFO's: does tuning make a difference?</i> Susan Gibson , Novita Children's Services	<i>Social Interaction in a boys' group for muscular dystrophy: a program evaluation.</i> Helen Parkyn , Novita Children's Services