

# Early Years Conference 2020

18<sup>th</sup> March, 2020

## Day 1

**Armidale City Bowling Club, Dumaresq Street Armidale.**

8:30 am	Registration
9:00 am	Opening and Welcome to Country
9:05 am	<b>Speaker: Prof. Vicki Bitsika</b> <i>What we know about anxiety and its impacts on daily functioning in children with ASD</i>
10:05 am	<b>Speaker: Rosemary Signorelli - STARTTS</b> <i>Understanding the impact of direct and transgenerational traumatic experiences on 0-6 year olds and their caregivers from refugee-like backgrounds</i>
11:00 am	Morning Tea
11:30 am	<b>Speaker: Zizi Charida</b> <i>Towards hope: the stories we build for our clients and their families.</i>
12:30 pm	Q & A Panel with Day 1 speakers
1:15 pm	Lunch
2:00 pm	<b>Workshops</b>

Building low-anxiety learning contexts for children with ASD – *Prof. Vicki Bitsika*

Addressing the challenges in early childhood trauma recovery, enhancing development and school readiness with 0-6 year olds from refugee-like backgrounds – *Rosemary Signorelli*

The Power of Appreciative Inquiry – *Zizi Charida*

Supporting families, who have children with developmental and diagnostic concerns, to access the NDIS through the ECEI approach – *Lettitia Dean*

3:00 pm	<i>Pit Stop</i>
3:10 pm	<b>Workshops</b> <i>See above for content</i>
4:30 pm	<b>Canapes &amp; Networking</b> <b>Auditorium, Armidale City Bowling Club</b>
6 pm	Close

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## Day 2

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8:30 am	Registration
9:00 am	Opening and Welcome
9:05 am	<b>Speaker: Dr Sarah Verdon</b> <i>Supporting children's early communication development through culturally responsive practice</i>
10:05 am	<b>Speaker: Paul Callaghan</b> <i>Partnering with Aboriginal Agencies. Making it Real.</i>
11:00 am	Morning Tea
11:30 am	<b>Speaker: Tai Luani – Emerging Minds</b> <i>Keeping Children's Mental Health in Mind.</i>
12:30 pm	Q & A Panel with Day 2 speakers
1:15 pm	Lunch
2:00 pm	<b>Workshops</b>

Supporting children's early communication development through culturally responsive practice – *Dr Sarah Verdon*

Culturally Embedded Support Plans that Make a Difference – *Paul Callaghan*

Intro to Engaging Parents About Children's Social and Emotional Wellbeing  
– *Tai Luani*

Creating Citizen Driven Communities: using an Asset Based Community Development Approach – *Zizi Charida*

3:00 pm	Pit Stop
3:10 pm	<b>Workshops</b> <i>See above for content</i>
4.30 pm	<b>Wrap up and Thank you</b>

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