Early Years Conference 2021

24th March, 2021

Day 1

Armidale City Bowling Club, Dumaresq Street Armidale.

8:30 am Registration

9:00 am Opening and Welcome to Country 9:05 am **Speaker: Prof. Vicki Bitsika**

What we know about anxiety and its impacts on daily

functioning in children with ASD

10:05 am Speaker: Rosemary Signorelli - STARTTS

Understanding the impact of direct and transgenerational traumatic experiences on 0-6 year olds and their caregivers

from refugee-like backgrounds

11:00 am Morning Tea

11:30 am Speaker: Zizi Charida

Towards hope: the stories we build for our clients and their

families.

12:30 pm Q & A Panel with Day 1 speakers

1:15 pm Lunch

2:00 pm Workshops

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 Pit Stop 3:10 pm **Workshops**

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4:30 pm Canapes & Networking

Auditorium, Armidale City Bowling Club

6 pm Close

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25th March, 2021

Day 2

Armidale City Bowling Club, Dumaresq Street Armidale.

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

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 **Workshops**

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4.30 pm Wrap up and Thank you

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