

Professor Jennifer Beecham

Professor Beecham is Professor of Health and Social Care Economics at the University of Kent and Principal Research Fellow at the London School of Economics and Political Science. She recently moved to LSE from the Centre for the Economics of Mental Health, Institute of Psychiatry where she was Assistant Director.

She has more than 20 years experience in research, much of which includes an economic component. She has worked on the development of better cost methodologies, as well as cost analyses and cost-effectiveness evaluations of services for children and young people, including children with learning disabilities, children with mental health problems, disabled children and those who are supported by social care services.

Her research has also covered a wide range of issues in community care, in particular evaluating services for adults with needs related to mental health and intellectual disabilities. In the last 10 years or so, Professor Beecham has also worked on a number of studies of eating disorder services, as well as studies of psychiatric, education and social care (child protection) services for children and young people.

Norelle Deeth

Norelle joined the Queensland Department of Child Safety as Deputy Director-General in July 2004. Prior to this appointment, Norelle was Deputy Director-General, Queensland Health. As an Assistant Under-Treasurer responsible for the resources, health and community services portfolios, Norelle's earlier career with Queensland Treasury was focused strongly on strategic policy and financial management.

In her initial career as a secondary teacher and Head of Department, Norelle established an affinity with young people and is committed to supporting staff working to protect vulnerable children and young people.

In 2001, Norelle was awarded the Queensland Telstra *Business Woman of the Year* Award in recognition of her lead role in the implementation of accrual output budgeting across the Queensland public sector.

Norelle has also held a number of senior Board and Council positions, including Director of the Queensland Rural Adjustment Authority and Councilor on the University of the Sunshine Coast Council. A mother of four daughters, Norelle has a firm commitment to making a positive difference in the lives of 'at risk' children in Queensland.

Dorothy Scott

Dorothy is the Foundation Chair in Child Protection and the Director of the Australian Centre for Child Protection at the University of South Australia. Before taking up this appointment in 2005 she was the Head of the School of Social Work at the University of Melbourne, and prior to that, the Executive Director of The Ian Potter Foundation, one of Australia's largest philanthropic trusts. Dorothy's career in child welfare began when she was a seventeen year old child care worker at the Allambie Reception Centre in Burwood, Victoria. Moved by the suffering of children who were admitted to State care, she studied social work at the University of Melbourne in the early 1970s and then worked for the then Social Welfare Department in the area of foster care and adoption. She then worked in the field of mental health, becoming Senior Social Worker in the Family Psychiatry Department of the Queen Victoria Medical Centre in Melbourne. There she helped establish specialist services for women experiencing post-partum psychiatric disorders, and services for women and children who had been sexually assaulted. In the 1980s she began an academic career, lecturing social work students at the University of Melbourne, and conducting research in areas including maternal depression and child welfare. Since then she has conducted numerous reviews and inquiries in Australia in the field of child protection and served on Ministerial advisory bodies in several States and Territories.

Susan Hanisch

Susan lost a foot and severely damaged her other leg when an IRA bomb exploded beside her in Victoria Station in London. Susan found herself overwhelmed by her sudden and violent change in her physical condition. Besides having to deal with her new disabilities, Susan felt her life had been irrevocably destroyed. Then she saw an FSD advertisement. In her hour of despair the opportunity of an FSD scholarship sparked in her a new hope. She applied and was soon on her way to California. There she rose to all the challenges and, to her and her new friends delight, found herself a proud possessor of a private pilots' licence. As she says "from nothing I was given a hope and belief in myself again - and that is totally beyond the realms of monetary worth".

As an Occupational Therapist, Susan is renowned for her work with troubled youth in the United Kingdom and her framework of forgiveness has been achieving powerful results.

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Friday 22 ~ Sunday 24 May, 2009
Rydges, Southbank, Brisbane

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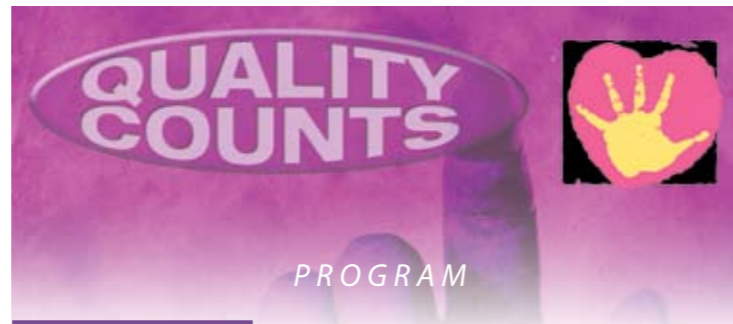
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Friday 22nd May, 2009

8:00 Registration Opens

9:00 Concurrent Sessions

Pre Conference Workshop 1	Pre Conference Workshop 2
Fellowship Viva's (open for members of the College) . Fellowship Candidates are to advise Chairperson of the Academic Board (Danny Foster) of their intention to sit examinations or Vivas. Topics of presentation will be described later to the event.	Counting the Hours: Work Analysis in Child and Family Welfare Settings Glenys Cockfield, Michael Bishop and Jennifer Beecham

10:30 Morning Tea

11:00 Concurrent Sessions continue

12:00 Lunch

13:00 Concurrent Sessions

ACCFPP Planning Workshop	Creating a Learning Workplace Culture
<i>Management Team and members Welcome</i>	Jude Harrison and Patrick Palmer

15:00 Afternoon Tea

15:30 Official opening –

Hon Jenny Macklin, Minister for Children

Deborah Bishop, Conference Convenor

Welcome to Country –

Jude Harrison, Queensland State Branch Director

Michael Bishop, National President of the ACCFPP

16:00 Keynote address: **Professor Dorothy Scott**

17:00 Welcome Reception

19:00 Workshop: **Professor Jennifer Beecham**

20:30 Close

Saturday 23d May, 2009

8:00 **Registration Opens**

9:00 Keynote address: **Ms Norelle Deeth**
Director General, Queensland Department of Child Safety

10:00 Morning Tea

Saturday 23rd May, 2009 (cont)

	Concurrent Session 1	Concurrent Session 2
10:30	Ensuring quality in working with complex families Dr Leah Bromfield and Dr Alistair Lamont , National Child Protection Clearing House	Creating Healthy Organisational Communities that assist workers to care for and Protect Vulnerable Children and Families Professor Bob Lonne Queensland University of Technology Associate Professor Maria Harries The University of Western Australia
11:00	Engaging families: Messages from Practice and Research Peter Melrose and Gerry Brown , Third Circle Consulting and Support	
11:30	Practicing Fairness in Case Planning Ms Tina Schultz , Department of Child Safety	
12:00	For Good or Ill, this is my family! What Counts for Quality in the role for Statutory Relative Foster Carers? Ms Angela Milosevic, Professor Ros Thorpe and Dr Debra Miles , James Cook University	

12:30 Lunch

	Concurrent Session 3	Concurrent Session 4
13:30	A Process Model for the Protective Investigation and Validation of Child Sexual Abuse Allegations Dr Jim Poulter , Monash University	Sibling groups in Alternative Care in South Australia Ms Liz Francis Families SA
14:00	Strong Families Safe Babies, Quality Assessment in Child Protection Ms Carolyn Lockett and Ms Anne-Marie Scanlon , Families South Australia	Bumblebees Therapeutic Preschool Program: Quality Practice Example Ms Katrina Holz and Ms Kathy Prentice Phoenix House Association, Bundaberg
14:30	Reducing harm from parental substance use: a collaborative Project between Child Protection and drug and alcohol services in South Australia Ms Margarida Maia Southern Community Services South Australia and Mr David Magor-Hampel Families SA	A Therapeutic Service exclusively for children in the care of the Queensland Department of Child Safety Dr K Martin Beckman , Psychiatrist, Evolve Therapeutic Services, Logan

15:00 Afternoon Tea

15:30 Keynote Address: **Professor Jennifer Beecham**
University of Kent

17:00 Close

19:30 Conference Dinner
Theme **"Safe Fun in the Sun"**

Sunday 24th May, 2009

7:00 ACCFPP Breakfast A.G.M. Meeting
(delegates own expense/or breakfast included in your room rate)

9:00 Keynote address: **Susan Hanisch**

10:00 Morning Tea

	Concurrent Session 5	Concurrent Session 6
10:30	Culture as Quality Care and Protection: An Aboriginal Perspective Ms Muriel Bamblett and Mr Peter Lewis , Victorian Aboriginal Child Care Agency	Workshop Parental substance Use and Child Protection: Developing National Principles for Practice Ms Menka Tsantefski , Odyssey House Victoria
11:00	Quality Practice in Action. Rapid Response: Whole of Government Services for Children and Young people under the Guardianship of the Minister in South Australia Ms Margaret Nippert , Families South Australia	
11:30	From compliance to continuous improvement: a systemic approach to reviewing child protection practice following the death of a child Mr Michael Bond and Ms Janelle Gehrke Queensland Department of Child Safety	

12:00 Lunch

	Concurrent Session 7	Concurrent Session 8
13:00	Preparing the Australian Medical Workforce for a National Child Protection Framework Dr Julie Grant , Monash University Victoria	Taking an Holistic Approach to responding to child sexual assault Ms Carol Ronkin , Bravehearts, Springwood
13:30	Moving from crisis to control in a statutory Child Protection service Ms Penny Kay Lismore Community Service centre	Animal Assisted Therapy: Improving the lives of Child Sexual Abuse Victims Dr Tania Signal , Central Queensland University
14:00	Buffy the Vampire Slayer and Working with Young People Ms Catherine Moynihan , Legal Aid Queensland and Ms Jen Glover , Logan Youth Legal Service	Beyond Compliance – Bringing the Quality Back into Child Protection Practice Ms Paula Radford-Bell, Ms Emma Lowe and Dr Sandy Wilson , Queensland Department of Child Safety

15:00 Afternoon Tea

Official Close – Invitation to 2010 Conference in Perth