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Saturday 28 April 2012

The Forum

With great pleasure we invite you to participate in *ABA Today: Effective, Evidenced and Evolved*. This event will take place on **Saturday 28 April 2012** at Melbourne University's Hawthorn Campus.



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Over the past two decades the number of children impacted by autism has increased exponentially with 1 in 160 children now affected (2006 Centrelink Data). Across Australia, this means devastation, disruption, and huge financial and emotion demands on over 20,000 parents and families. It also means an increased (and increasing) need for best-practice treatment, practical early intervention services, and accurate information.

The role of *ABA Today: Effective, Evidenced and Evolved* is to shine a light on Applied Behavioural Analysis: its scientific basis, its capacity to positively impact children, its growing position as a mature treatment methodology.

With three consecutive forum streams being facilitated, *ABA Today: Effective, Evidenced and Evolved* will cater to the needs of industry professionals, and parents currently working with, or eager to learn more about, ABA therapy.

Keynote Speakers

Opening Address - Professor Margot Prior PhD

Dr Margot Prior is Professor of Psychology at Melbourne University and a lecturer, clinician, and researcher of 35 years' duration. She specialises in the field of family and child development and has also worked in a Family Counselling capacity for Indigenous children and families. Her research focus has been children with autism, and children with learning and behavioural difficulties.

Until 2002 Margot was Professor/Director of Psychology at the Royal Children's Hospital Melbourne. She is an author and researcher and has published numerous papers and written/edited seven books. Margot is currently involved in a longitudinal study of language and literacy development in Victorian children aged eight months to seven years.

Morning Keynote - Cynthia Zierhut PhD

Dr Cynthia Zierhut is a clinical and developmental psychologist from the Mind Institute, California. She currently works in Australia as the Clinical Manager of the Victorian Autism Specific Early Learning and Care Centre.

Cynthia was involved in the clinical trial of the Early Start Denver Model (ESDM), an early intervention methodology designed specifically for toddlers with autism. Cynthia is one of only five ESDM-certified trainers in the world.

Afternoon Keynote - Dr John McEachin PhD

John McEachin is a licensed psychologist and for over 30 years he has been a provider of behavioural interventions to children and adolescents with autism and developmental disabilities. A graduate of the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA), John trained under Professor Ivar Lovaas (the founding father of Applied Behavioural Analysis therapy) and was involved in the ground-breaking Young Autism Project.

John has lectured around the world, has assisted in the development of autism treatment and training programs, and consults to numerous families and agencies. He is co-founder of Autism Partnership, an international early intervention agency assisting children and families. John has also co-authored numerous books on ABA topics including: *A Work in Progress*; *It's Time for School! Building Quality ABA Educational Programs For Students With Autism Spectrum Disorders*; *Sense And Nonsense In The Behavioral Treatment of Autism: It Has To Be Said*, and *Crafting Connections: Contemporary Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA)*.

Program Outline



ABA Today: Effective, Evidenced and Evolved is about educating, informing and sharing knowledge. As the peak industry body we are seeking to raise the profile of ABA as an **effective, evidence-based and evolved** treatment methodology. As an organisation servicing the needs of parents and professionals, we are eager to share the latest research and impart practical and functional skills. The ABA Forum also seeks to ensure that autism spectrum children and families gain awareness and knowledge about the benefits of ABA therapy.

We have chosen to facilitate a forum rather than a conference because we are eager to encourage an exchange of knowledge, needs, insights, and on-the-ground experience. We are also eager to consolidate the ABA base of users and professionals within Victoria. Only by banding together can we advocate for more funding for families; and for government acceptance and support of ABA programs in homes, kindergartens, childcare-centres, schools, and communities throughout Victoria and Australia.

ABA Today: Effective, Evidenced and Evolved will share the latest knowledge on behavioural interventions for ASD children. Come along to hear. Come along and be heard.

**Applied Behavioural Analysis (ABA) and Intensive Behavioural Intervention (IBI) are often used interchangeably.*

8:30-9:00am	Registration		
9:00-9:15am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcome & Housekeeping Introduction (Margot Prior) 		
9:15-10:30am	Keynote Speaker - Cynthia Zierhut: "The theoretical and empirical framework of the Early Start Denver Model"		
10:30-11:00am	Morning Tea		
	Stream 1 Intervention Programs & Outcomes	Stream 2 Specific Strategies & Practitioner Skills	Stream 3 Behaviour Management
11:00-11:30am	The IDEA program: a whole school approach to intervention	Working with babies	Functional behaviour assessment to address problem behaviour
11:30-12:00pm	Intensive behavioural treatment for preschool children with autism: A full service model program & graduate outcomes	Using video modelling products to enhance learning	Using a self-management intervention to increase compliance
12:00-12:30pm	Little Learners autism program	The importance of learning styles & motivation	ABA & pharmacological treatments
12:30-1:00pm	Predictors of outcome in the Early Start Denver Model	The value of utilising self-evaluation methods to improve therapy skills	Intensive behavioural treatment for elopement behaviour with preschoolers
1:00-2:00pm	Lunch		
2:00-3:15pm	Keynote Speaker - John McEachin: "Does ABA have a heart?"		
3:15-3:45pm	"In Conversation With ..." Anthony Macris		
3:45-4:15pm	Afternoon Tea		
4:15-5:00pm	Expert Panel: hosted by Tom Gleisner & including John McEachin, Cynthia Zierhut, Anthony Macris (Author), Shannon Eeles (CISCA), & Agata Puglia (Teacher, Flemington Primary School)		
5:00pm	Forum close		

Forum venue: Melbourne University, Hawthorn Campus, 442 Auburn Road, Hawthorn Vic 3122 (Melway Map Ref: 59 E2)

Registration Form - Participants



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Contact Name	
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Type of Registration (please tick✓)	<input type="checkbox"/> Parent <input type="checkbox"/> Professional (<i>please specify</i>): <input type="checkbox"/> Other (<i>please specify</i>):
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<i>ABIA parent member</i>	\$105	ABIA parent member	\$125
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Total amount payable: \$			

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- Full payment is required at the time of booking.
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Stallholder \$500

- Company profile & logo in forum booklet
- 1x trestle table, 2x chairs, & display partition
- 1x A4 satchel insert (200 copies to be supplied please)

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Satchel Insert \$250

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Total amount payable: \$			

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- Sponsors are required to provide company logo artwork in JPG, GIF or TIF (and EPS if major sponsor), by 30 March 2012
- A 50% deposit for Major and Stream sponsorship is to be paid at time of registration with the balance to be paid by 30 March 2012. If balance payment is not received by the due date, ABIA reserves the right to release the sponsorship option and the deposit will not be refunded.
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- Satchel inserts are required by 30 March 2012.
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- Sponsors wishing to attend Forum sessions are required to register separately – refer to *Registration Form-Participants* included in this brochure.