

Upcoming Events

Featuring International
Presenter Dr. Carl Dunst.

10th – 13th August 2010

Early Childhood Intervention Australia (Victorian Chapter) is proud to announce the visit to Melbourne of Dr Carl Dunst whose work on Family Centred Practice has influenced so many fields of research & practice in family and childhood service delivery.

Dr. Carl Dunst has been a leading proponent of family centred practice for over 20 years. He has been instrumental in articulating key features of family centred practice, in developing ways of evaluating it, and in synthesising the evidence for its efficacy.

It is 20 years since Carl's first visit to Australia, an apt time to reflect upon the development of family centred practice since then, and the current state of early childhood intervention services in general.

Carl and colleagues have recently synthesised the evidence regarding the nature and effects of family centred practice, and have 20 years of evaluation data on a particular ECI program in North Carolina, USA. The findings from these studies are most informative and will help the ECI field in Victoria reflect upon where it is heading with this important aspect of service delivery.

**Bookings
available early July**



Dr Dunst will be conducting events on the following topics.

Evidence Based Practice - August 10th

Carl has developed a unique perspective on evidence based practice and practice based evidence, which will assist in understanding how to evaluate service effectiveness against desired outcomes.

Professional Development - August 11th

This event will feature a presentation from Carl on the Participatory Adult Learning Strategy (PALS) model of professional development. Dunst and Trivette developed this evidence-based approach and it has been found to be associated with improved learner knowledge, use, and mastery of different types of intervention practices.

Early Childhood Intervention Service Models - August 12th

Carl has developed strong views about the outcomes for children and families that ECIS should aim to achieve and the models for service delivery that are most likely to promote these outcomes.

Family Centred Practice - August 13th

Carl will review and critique the evidence about Family Centred Practice which has accrued over the past 30 years.



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