

# 2009 ECA & ECIA Victorian State Conference

## “Engaging Everybody - Active and successful participation in early childhood”

**Friday 16 October 2009**  
Victory Room, Gate 9, Etihad Stadium, Docklands

08.30 – 09.15am	Registration		
09.30 – 09.40am	Introduction : Susana Gavidia-Payne & Marlene Fox (ECIA & ECA Victoria Presidents)		
09.40 – 09.45am	Welcome to Country		
09.45 – 10.00am	Opening Address: The Hon Maxine Morand, Minister for Children and Early Childhood Development		
10.00 – 11.00am	Keynote Address: Pam Winter & Gerry Mulhearn <i>The new 3 RRRs! What counts in early learning?</i>		
11.00– 11.30am	Morning Tea <i>(including poster presentations and displays)</i>		
11.30 – 12.30pm	Workshop: Pam Winter & Gerry Mulhearn <i>Using adult and child observation scales to support early learning</i>		
12.30 – 1.15pm	Lunch <i>(including poster presentations and displays)</i>		
1.15pm – 2.00pm	Keynote Address: Lillian Holt <i>Engaging the other: Engaging ourselves</i>		
2.00 – 2.40pm	National President’s Address: John Forster & Margaret Young (ECIA & ECA National Presidents) <i>Challenges to Inclusion</i>		
2.40 – 3.00pm	Afternoon Tea		
3.00 – 3.20pm	Sophie Carasso (Association for Children with a Disability) <i>Parent Perspective</i>	Anne Slater (Yooralla) <i>Square peg in a round hole” Strengthening the inclusive practices of Early Childhood services through mentoring and professional development.</i>	Marge Arnup (DEECD) <i>Positive Transitions into Childcare, Kindergarten and School – A Gippsland Story.</i>
3.20 – 3.40pm	Di Chandler (Elwyn Morey Centre) <i>Strategies which promote inclusion.</i>	Frank Giggins (City of Greater Geelong) <i>Engaging Communities – Facilitating positive outcomes using the Barwon Early Years Transition Resource Kit.</i>	Sandra Prouse (FKA Children’s Services) <i>Inclusion from the CALD perspective: Factors that contribute to good practice.</i>
3.40 – 4.00pm	Val Spence (EPIC) <i>Early Childhood Intervention: How long is a piece of string.</i>	Janet Torode (Specialist Children’s Services) <i>Joining the dots – Transition pathways for children with special needs in Barwon.</i>	Millie Olcay ( Australian Catholic University) <i>Honouring children and young people’s active participation in education: exploring experiences of ‘inclusion’ and ‘disability’ in mainstream early childhood and primary school settings.’</i>
4.00pm	Close		