

# Emotional Neglect in the Early Years

## Causes, Consequences and Practical Solutions

With keynote speaker Dr Margot Sunderland, author of 'What Every Parent Needs to Know'\* and winner of the BMA Medical Book Award (2007)

ONE DAY CONFERENCE: FRIDAY 24 JUNE 2011



Canterbury Christ Church University in partnership with the national charity *What About The Children?* welcomes you to this one day conference and the Biennial Goodman Lecture.

This one day continuing professional development event brings together internationally renowned experts in the field of early childhood.

The conference will include lectures, panel discussions and plenary sessions focussing on case studies to support professionals, parents and carers and others wishing to enhance their skills of working with babies, children, young people, people and families.

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What About The Children? was established as a national charity in 1994 to raise awareness about the emotional needs of children under three. The President is Professor Sir Denis Pereira Gray (former President of the Royal College of General Practitioners). [www.whataboutthechildren.org.uk](http://www.whataboutthechildren.org.uk)



### Keynote lecture:

The 2011 Biennial Goodman Lecture given by Dr Margot Sunderland:

### **Emotional Neglect: Causes and Consequences.**

**Date:** Friday 24 June 2011

**Venue:** Augustine House, Canterbury Christ Church University, Canterbury, Kent CT1 2YA

**Cost:** £85

\*Formerly titled 'The Science of Parenting'



## Programme

8.45 - 9.45

Registration and coffee

10.00 – 10.15

Welcome by Hazel Colyer, Dean of the Faculty of Health and Social Care.  
Introductions: Canterbury Christ Church University and What About The Children?

10.15 – 11.15

'What About The Children?' Goodman Lecture:  
Dr Margot Sunderland

11.15 – 11.45

Coffee and the 'Thinking Wall'

11.45 – 12.15

The impact of the Solihull project: Dr Hazel Douglas

12.15 – 12.45

The Baby Room project: Dr Sacha Powell

12.45 – 2.00

Lunch and the 'Thinking Wall'

2.00 – 2.30

Practical Solutions Seminar

2.30 – 3.30

Practical Solutions: Dr Margot Sunderland

3.30 – 4.00

Q & A Panel, and using feedback from the 'Thinking Wall'

4.00

Tea and networking

5.00

Close

## Reserve a place

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## Biographies

### Dr Margot Sunderland

Dr Margot Sunderland is Director of Education and Training at The Centre for Child Mental Health London, Honorary Visiting Fellow at London Metropolitan University and Child Psychotherapist with over twenty years experience of working with children and families. She is the author of over twenty books in the field of child mental health, which collectively have been translated into eighteen languages and published in twenty four countries. Her internationally acclaimed book, "The Science of Parenting" (Dorling Kindersley) won First Prize in the British Medical Association Medical Book awards 2007 (Popular Medicine section). The book, endorsed by one of the world's leading affective neuroscientists, Professor Jaak Panksepp, is the result of ten years research on the long-term effects of parent-child interaction on the brain. Dr Sunderland has two doctorates, one in child psychotherapy, thesis entitled "The Application of Art and Science to the Psychological Treatment of Children." Dr Sunderland was also a member of the Early Years Commission, Centre for Social Justice Westminster and co- author of the cross party advisory report "The Next Generation" on early years intervention.

### Dr Hazel Douglas

As a child psychotherapist Hazel led the development of the Solihull Approach in 1996, an integrated model of working with families, babies, children and young people affected by emotional and behavioural difficulties. It is an early intervention model incorporating the three concepts of containment, reciprocity and behaviour management. The Solihull model is now used by a wide scope of professionals across the UK and internationally.

### Dr Sacha Powell

Dr Sacha Powell works in the Research Centre for Children, Families and Communities at CCCU. Her PhD explored social constructions of early childhood and much of her subsequent research has involved young children. She co-authored the Birth to Three Matters Research Review (DfES 2003), which highlighted a paucity of research into day-care processes and practices for children aged 2 and younger. This finding and case studies of practice in baby rooms (EYPS Standards, 2006) provided the impetus to develop The Baby Room Project with Dr Kathy Gooch. The project aims to study and improve babies' day-care experiences through research and professional development with practitioners.

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