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Shared Parenting Research: A Watershed in Understanding Children's Best Interest?

Scientific Program

Collectively, the scientific faculty is widely considered to include almost all of the leading currently active scholars in the world on the subject of optimal post-divorce parenting arrangements. This group of eminent scholars may never before and perhaps never again be brought together from all parts of the developed world in the same conference.

Conference Venue:

Westin Copley Place, 10 Huntington Avenue, Boston, MA, 02116, United States

The conference language is English.

Monday, 29 May 2017

07:00 – 17:00

On-site Registration

Essex Ballroom Foyer

Scientific Sessions

08:00

Welcome Addresses
Essex Ballroom South

Dr. Ned Holstein
Founder and Chairman of the
Board of the National Parents
Organization, USA

Prof. Edward Kruk
ICSP President, University of
British Columbia, Canada

Plenary Session I **Essex Ballroom South**

Chair: Dr. Jennifer J. Harman,
Colorado State University, USA

08:15

Parenting and the UN Convention on
the Rights of the Child (Video
Presentation)

Dr.h.c. Jean Zermatten
Chairman of UN Committee on
the Rights of the Child,
Switzerland

08:45

Joint physical custody vs. sole
physical custody: Outcomes for
children independent of parental
conflict and income

Dr. Linda Nielsen
Wake Forest University, USA

09:15

Three studies of parenting time:
evidence of harm and protection

Dr. William Fabricius
Arizona State University, USA

09:45

Shared care for very young children:
Research, theory, and custody
arrangements

Dr. Pamela Ludolph
University of Michigan, USA

10:15 – 10:30

Coffee Break

Essex Ballroom Foyer

10:30

Quality vs. quantity of fathering time:
An argument against shared physical
custody?

Dr. Kari Adamsons
University of Connecticut, USA

11:00

New evidence of a program's impact
to strengthen the quality of father
post-divorce parenting

Dr. Irwin Sandler
Arizona State University, USA

11:30

Complicated delivery: The untold
story and aftermath of the
international consensus report on
parenting plans for young children

Dr. Richard Warshak
University of Texas
Southwestern Medical Center,
USA

12:00 – 13:00

Lunch Break

Essex Center

13:00 – 15:00

Plenary Speakers Panel Discussion

Facilitator: Prof. Donald Hubin
Ohio State University, USA

15:00 – 15:15

Coffee Break

Essex Ballroom Foyer

Break Out Sessions (4 concurrent sessions)

Workshop I: Parenting Issues (International Perspectives) *Room: St. George A*

Chair: Dr. Michael Lamb
Cambridge University, UK

15:15 – 15:45

Post-divorce co-parenting and children's well-being in Hong Kong

Dr. Yuk-King Lau

The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong

15:45 – 16:15

Parental conflict and shared parenting

Dr. Chantal Clot-Grangeat

ICSP Vice-President, Clinical Psychologist, France

16:15 – 16:45

New approaches to divorce with children: a problem of public health

Dr. Vittorio Carlo Vezzetti

ATS-Insubria (Agency for Health Protection), Italy

16:45 – 17:15

Child support determination for complex families

Mr. George Piskor

Osgoode Hall Law School (York University), Canada

Workshop II: Shared Parenting Outcomes *Room: Essex Ballroom South*

Chair: Dr. Linda Nielsen
Wake Forest University, USA

15:15 – 15:45

The living conditions of children with shared residence –the Swedish example

Dr. Emma Fransson

Centre for Health Equity Studies, Sweden

15:45 – 16:15

Post-separation shared parental care in Germany

Prof. Sabine Walper

German Youth Institute e.V., Germany

16:15 – 16:45

Is joint physical custody in the best interest of the child? Parent-child relationships and custodial arrangements.

Dr. Kim Bastaits

PXL University College, Belgium

16:45 – 17:15

Health and wellbeing of Nordic children and adolescents living in joint physical custody - A literature review of the evidence

Ms. Kersti Bergqvist

Centre for Health Equity Studies, Sweden

Workshop III: Interventions

Room: St. George B

Chair: Dr. Irwin Sandler

Arizona State University, USA

15:15 – 15:45

The Family Mediation Project: The next iteration, globally sourced

Dr. Sinead Conneely &

Dr. Roisin O'Shea

Waterford Institute of Technology, Ireland

15:45 – 16:15

The high road to reunification: A whole family solution to a whole family problem

Mrs. Dorcy Pruter

Conscious Co-Parenting Institute, USA

16:15 – 16:45

Parents and children in divorce: how to communicate to have a good psychological health and sustainable relationships afterwards.

Ms. Annelien Jonckheere

Indigo Koekelare, Belgium

16:45 – 17:15

To take a step back from the ideal of co-parenting, to better serve *all* couples that are separating

Mr. Damien d'Urse

Université Catholique de Louvain, Belgium

Workshop IV: Policy/Advocacy/Legal Reform I

Room: St. George C

Chair: Dr. Pamela Ludolph

University Of Michigan, USA

15:15 – 15:45

Beating the drum for shared parenting

Mr. Ian Maxwell

Families Need Fathers Scotland, Scotland, UK

15:45 – 16:15

Evolution of shared parenting as a factor for the emergence of a new family law paradigm

Dr. Kostis Demertzis

Kostis Demertzis et Partners, Greece

16:15 – 16:45

Legal and psychological significance of deprivation of family life - A contribution to better understand and fulfill the child's best interests

Dr. Sandra Inês Feitor

Sandra Inês Feitor Law Office, Portugal

16:45 – 17:15

Child protection outranks shared parenting

Dr. David Curl

For Kids Sake, Australia

18:30 – 21:30

Conference Dinner

Room: Staffordshire

Tuesday, 30 May 2017

07:00 – 17:00

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Scientific Sessions

Plenary Session II

Room: Essex Ballroom South

Co-Chair: Dr. Chantal Clot-Grangeat,
ICSP Vice-President, Clinical Psychologist, France
Co-Chair: Mr. Oliver Hunziker,
ICSP Vice-President, IT Consultant, Switzerland

08:15	Gatekeeping and a social capital analysis in child custody	Dr. William Austin <i>Child Custody Services, USA</i>
08:45	Relocation and the indissolubility of parenthood	Prof. Patrick Parkinson <i>University of Sydney, Australia</i>
09:15	Does shared parenting CAUSE better outcomes for children?	Dr. Sanford Braver <i>Arizona State University, USA</i>
09:45	Legal and social development of shared physical custody in Europe	Prof. Hildegund Sünderhauf <i>Lutheran University of Applied Sciences Nuremberg, Germany</i>

10:15 – 10:30

Coffee Break

Essex Ballroom Foyer

10:30	Shared parenting in Sweden (Where it's a norm)	Dr. Malin Bergström <i>Karolinska Institute, Sweden</i>
11:00	Shared parenting and parental alienation: current state and future directions for research	Prof. Edward Kruk <i>ISCP President, University of British Columbia, Canada</i>
11:30	Critical analysis of research on parenting plans and children's well-being	Dr. Michael Lamb <i>Cambridge University, UK</i>

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Break Out Sessions (4 concurrent sessions)

Workshop V: Alienation Issues

Room: St. George A

Chair: Prof. Edward Kruk

*ICSP President, University of British
Columbia, Canada*

15:15 – 15:45

Restoring family connections

Dr. Amy Baker

unaffiliated, USA

15:45 – 16:15

An objective measure of splitting in parental alienation:
The Parental Acceptance-Rejection Questionnaire

Dr. William Bernet &

Vanderbilt University, USA

Prof. Ronald P. Rohner

University of Connecticut, USA

16:15 – 16:45

Gender in Family Law Contempt of Court Cases in
Quebec, Canada

Dr. Paul Millar

Nipissing University

16:45 – 17:15

Kids Come Last: The effect of family law involvement
on parental alienation

Dr. Christine Giancarlo

Mount Royal University, Canada

Workshop VI: Court Decision-making

Room: Essex Ballroom South

Chair: Prof. Patrick Parkinson

University of Sydney, Australia

15:15 – 15:45

Gender biases: How stereotype violations affect
recommendations for child custody

Dr. Jennifer J. Harman

Colorado State University, USA

15:45 – 16:15

Gender equality, child well-being and shared residence
in Spain

Prof. Luis Flaquer

Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Spain

16:15 – 16:45

Judicial decision making: influences and possible
perspectives

Prof. Michel Grangeat

University of Grenoble Alpes, France

16:45 – 17:15

Belgian Family Courts shared parenting judgments

Mr. Jan Piet H. de Man

*European Institute for the Best Interests of
the Child, Belgium*

Workshop VII: Policy/Advocacy/Legal Reform II

Room: St. George B

Chair: Dr. William Fabricius
Arizona State University, USA

15:15 – 15:45

The Collaborative Governance Model in family breakup

Mr. Glenn Cheriton

Canadian Equal Parenting Council, Canada

15:45 – 16:15

Recognizing the importance of the other parent as a prerequisite for parental responsibility

Prof. Yoav Mazeh

*Family, Equality & Law Research Institute,
Ono Academic College, Israel*

16:15 – 16:45

Joint custody and the prevention of child harm: the answer of the European Court of Human Rights

Dr. Jorge Guerra González

Leuphana University of Lüneburg, Germany

16:45 – 17:15

Rethinking the Child's Best Interests Standard based on a human rights perspective

Mr. Martin Widrig, MLaw

University of Fribourg, Switzerland

Workshop VIII: Parenting Issues (US Perspectives)

Room: St. George C

Chair: Dr. Sanford Braver
Arizona State University, USA

15:15 – 15:45

Why parallel parenting and not co-parenting may be the better choice for families of divorce

Ms. Catharine MacWillie

*Custody Calculations, Calendars & Orders,
USA*

15:45 – 16:15

The political issues of implementing shared parenting laws

Ms. Leslie Loftis

Leading Women for Shared Parenting, USA

16:15 – 16:45

Parental involvement among first and second-generation immigrants to the United States

Dr. Adam Williams

*University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign,
USA*

16:45 – 17:15

Co-Parenting from the Inside Out: Voices of Moms and Dads

Ms. Karen Kristjanson, MSc, MA

*Leading Women for Shared Parenting,
Canada*