

National Conference on Autism in Scotland

Strategy or Knot? Thursday 27 May 2010

Booking Form

Register online at <http://www.autism-in-scotland.org.uk>

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Please be advised that your booking is not confirmed until you have received written confirmation.

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Please tick a relevant status:

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Any special dietary requirements, please tick

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WORKSHOPS (please select which workshop you wish to attend 1 morning and 1 afternoon)

Morning 1 2 3 4

Afternoon 1 2 3 4

How did you hear about the Conference?

CLOSING DATE FOR BOOKINGS FRIDAY 21 MAY 2010

Cancellation and Substitutions: No refunds will be given for any cancellations received in the 2 week period prior to the event date. Cancellations received after confirmation of booking and before the 2 week cut off date will result in the fee being refunded less an administration charge of (£15 per delegate). Please note that cancellations must be in writing. If you do not cancel and fail to attend – no refund will be made. Substitutes may be made at any time – notification of substitutes should be given prior to the event.

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Conference Programme

- From 9.15am **Registration & Refreshments**
- 09.55 – 10.00 **Welcome**
Paul Prescott, Chairman, Scottish Society for Autism
- 10.00 – 10.20 **Strategy or Knot? – A National Perspective**
Alan Somerville, CEO, Scottish Society for Autism
- 10.20 – 10.40 **The Costs of Autism**
Professor Martin Knapp, London School of Economics and Political Science
- 10.40 – 11.00 **Research and Clinical Practice - Leading the Way**
Professor Tommy MacKay, University of Strathclyde
- 11.00 – 11.30 **Coffee Break**
- 11.30 – 12.45 **Morning Workshop Options**
1. Celtic Achievements: The Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) Strategy Action Plan for Wales (2008) – Hugh Morgan OBE, CEO Autism Cymru
 2. Change Can Be Good – Looking Back and Moving Forward – Charlene Tait, Lecturer at the National Centre for Autism Studies, Strathclyde University
 3. Parents: The Hidden Expert – Alison Leask, Autism Argyll
 4. Getting the Planning Right – An Aid to Success! – Gillian McConnell, Assistant Director of Direct Services, Scottish Society for Autism
- 12.45 – 1.45 **Lunch**
- 1.45 – 2.15 **Perspectives from the Front Line: Advocating for Autism**
Donna Williams, Individual with Autism
Pre-recorded lecture
- 2.15 – 2.20 **Coffee Break**
- 2.20 – 3.30 **Afternoon Workshop Options**
1. Speaking Personally – How Changes have Influenced Living – Stella MacDonald, ASD Co-ordinator, Fife Council and NHS Fife
 2. The Autism Toolbox: From Resource to Implementation – Charlene Tait, Lecturer at the National Centre for Autism Studies, Strathclyde University
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- 3.30 – 3.45pm **Summing Up**
- Close of Conference**

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Key Speakers



Alan Somerville is the new CEO of the Scottish Society for Autism. He is taking a special interest in a national strategy for Autism in Scotland, working with the Scottish Government and others to focus on improving the lives

of people with autism, their carers and families – as well as leading the organisation. With an impressive track record of managing strategic change for large organisations, Alan brings fresh insight into unravelling the knot.



Martin Knapp is Professor of Social Policy, Director of the Personal Social Services Research Unit and Director of the NIHR School for Social Care Research at the London School of Economics and Political Science. He

also holds the position of Professor of Health Economics and Director of the Centre for the Economics of Mental Health at King's College London, Institute of Psychiatry. Focusing particularly on policy analysis and economic aspects of practice, Martin has been an advisor to many government departments, the European Commission and World Health Organisation.



Donna Williams was born in Australia in the 1960s, at a time when children with Autism were more likely to be diagnosed as psychotic and placed in large psychiatric institutions. Diagnosed in her 20s, Donna has

published ten books including her autobiography. She has written films and screen plays and is an artist, sculptor and singer-songwriter (with Donna and the Aspinauts). Working as a consultant since 1995, Donna has worked with hundreds of people on the autistic spectrum in schools, welfare and health services as well as directly with families and adults themselves.

Tommy MacKay is Professor in the Department of Childhood and Primary Studies and Honorary Lecturer in the Department of Psychology as well as Co-Director of the National Centre for Autism Studies at Strathclyde University. He is an expert in the multi-disciplinary assessment process for Autism with over 30 years experience in autism diagnosis. Tommy has an international reputation in Autism. He is Lead author of the National Training Framework for Autism and co-author of the SIGN Guideline on diagnosis and intervention. Winner of the award for Distinguished Contributions to Professional Psychology, an entire chapter is devoted to Professor MacKay in Gordon Brown's book, Britain's Everyday Heroes: The Making of the Good Society.

Registration Fees

Professional - £185
Early Bird Discount £165 (until Tuesday 27 April)
Parents - £125
Members - £105

Details of Workshops

Celtic Achievements – Hugh Morgan OBE, CEO Autism Cymru – Seconded to the Welsh Assembly.

The Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) Strategy Action Plan for Wales (2008) was the result of extensive consultation and debate in Wales. What has been achieved and how has it been received so far? Hugh Morgan is CEO and Celtic Alliance for Autism. *Chaired by Jim Taylor, Director of Education, New Struan School: A Centre for Autism.*

Change Can Be Good – Looking Back and Moving Forward Charlene Tait, Lecturer at the National Centre for Autism Studies, Strathclyde University.

Looking back at the culture and the context for those living in Scotland with autism. Have the needs of people living in Scotland changed? Mapping out the policies of change: where next? Future aspirations – what are the changing expectations and how can these be achieved? *Chaired by Anna Robinson, Manager of the Centre for Education and Training in Autism, Scottish Society for Autism.*

Parents: The Hidden Expert – Alison Leask, Convenor of Autism Argyll, Associate Lecturer, Strathclyde University and Board Member of the Scottish Society.

Scoping the journey parents have faced over the past 20 years. How parents have influenced these changes? The way forward. *Chaired by Cathy Maclean, Scottish Society for Autism.*

The Autism Toolbox: From Resource to Implementation – Charlene Tait, Lecturer at the National Centre for Autism Studies, Strathclyde University.

Did Scotland need the Autism Toolkit? What can we expect as a result of the Autism Toolkit? From page to practice. Implementing and evaluating the impact of the Autism Toolkit. *Chaired by Anna Robinson, Manager of the Centre for Education and Training in Autism, Scottish Society for Autism.*

Speaking Personally – How Changes have Influenced Living – Stella MacDonald, ASD Co-ordinator, Fife Council and NHS Fife.

Reflections from the inside out. Searching for support. Meeting the challenges. Influencing change in the Scottish landscape. A vision for Scotland. *Chaired by Alan Somerville, CEO, Scottish Society for Autism.*

Getting the planning right – an aid to success! – Gillian McConnell, Assistant Director of Direct Services, Scottish Society for Autism.

What makes for a successful transition plan: what are the essential ingredients? Why do things fall apart? How policy has changed to meet this particularly vulnerable group over time? From policy to practice: next steps. *Chaired by Cathy Stripe, Head of Care, New Struan School: A Centre for Autism.*

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