

Best Start Resource Centre

Province-wide Forum for Service Providers **Big Picture ↔ Local Action:** **Working with Families and Young Children** **Living in Poverty**

Tuesday March 9, 2010
Time: 8:30 am to 4:30 pm

AGENDA

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| 8:30 – 9:00 am | Registration |
| 9:00 – 9:20 am | Welcome |
| 9:20 – 10:00 am | Child and Family Poverty in Ontario: The Big Picture
<i>Jacquie Maund, Coordinator, Ontario Campaign 2000</i> |
| 10:00 – 10:20 am | Break |
| 10:20 – 10:50 am | Constructing the Architecture of the Brain: Early Experience Matters. The Impact of Poverty
<i>Dr. Jean Clinton, Associate Professor, McMaster University: Child psychiatrist; associate member Offord Centre for Child Studies</i> |
| 10:50 – 11:20 am | Racialization of Poverty
<i>Uzma Shakir, Atkinson Economic Justice Fellow and Colour of Poverty Campaign</i> |
| 11:20– 12:00 pm | Urban Aboriginal Families and Young Children Living in Poverty
<i>Peter Dinsdale, Executive Director, National Association of Friendship Centres</i> |
| 12:00 – 12:30 pm | Families' Perspectives |
| 12:30 pm – 1:30 pm | Lunch |
| 1:30 – 3:15 pm | Moving Forward to Eliminating Poverty in Ontario – Policy and Practice Strategies to Reduce the Impact and Effect of Child Poverty
<i>Dr. Jean Clinton, Associate Professor, McMaster University: Child psychiatrist; associate member Offord Centre for Child Studies</i>
<i>Laurel Rothman, Family Service Toronto/Campaign 2000</i>
<i>Paul Johnson, Hamilton Roundtable on Poverty Reduction</i>
<i>Sandra Laclé, Health Promotion Division & EXTRA Fellow (2008-10) Sudbury & District Health Unit</i> |
| 3:15 – 3:30 pm | Break |
| 3:30 – 4:15 pm | What is Needed to Support Local and Provincial Strategies to Address Child Poverty in Ontario?
<i>Facilitated Discussion/Action Groups</i> |
| 4:15 – 4:30 pm | Closing |

Participants are invited to bring relevant resources and information to the Forum TO SHARE.