

CONFERENCE

Tuesday 10th June 2008

Children in Cultural Context Why culture matters in child mental health

*The Mason Lecture Theatre, Queen Mary University of London,
Mile End Road, London, E1 4NS*

The growing interest in childhood is reflected in the surge of research into children's lives and in the effects of social change, consumerism and globalisation on families everywhere. Despite this, the literature on the cultural and social contexts of children's lives has had relatively little impact on the theory and practice of mental health clinicians. Policy initiatives that address cultural difference, such as Delivering Race Equality (DoH, 2005), continue to emphasise the preoccupations of adult mental health services, or are unduly constrained by ideas of 'racial' or 'ethnic' categories. Child mental health practice suggests that children's dilemmas, both that of white British and BME groups, lie elsewhere.

In bringing together highly experienced academics and clinicians from across the arenas of sociology, anthropology, adult and child mental health this conference hopes to provoke a fresh look at childhood in contemporary British contexts. How might we think about what is universal, and what is context-bound and local? How would this inform consideration of the 'best interests' of children? What can the wealth of cross-cultural research and clinical knowledge based on practice within diverse settings tell us about contemporary patterns of child-care and the outcomes for child development?

What do the range of health and social care professionals working with children and families need to know about the nature of cultural difference, and the routes through which it influences the lives of the young, in order to provide interventions that are more culturally 'competent' ?

WHO should attend?

CAMHS clinicians, adult mental health clinicians concerned about their patients as parents, Professionals in Children's Social Care, Education, Primary Care, Community and Voluntary organisations providing services for Families, senior managers, service commissioners and service providers

Speakers

- Allison James** Prof of Sociology, Sheffield University and Director of Centre for the Study of Childhood and Youth
- Sushrut Jadhav** Senior Lecturer in Cross-Cultural Psychiatry, University College London
- Inga-Britt Krause** Social Anthropologist and Family Therapist, Tavistock Clinic, London
- Jenny Walters** Consultant Clinical Psychologist, East London NHS Foundation Trust
- Iyabo Fatimilehin** Consultant Clinical Psychologist, Building Bridges, Royal Liverpool Children's (NHS) Trust
- Ruma Bose** Consultant Child and Adolescent Psychiatrist, East London NHS Foundation Trust
- Begum Maitra** Consultant Child and Adolescent Psychiatrist, East London NHS Foundation Trust
- Sami Timimi** Consultant Child and Adolescent Psychiatrist, and Visiting Professor, University of Lincoln

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9.00 Registration & Coffee

MORNING SESSION
Inter-disciplinary contributions

9.30 Welcome

**Introduction
Chair for Morning
Session**

**Dr Glenda Ericksen
Lead Clinician, City & Hackney CAMHS**

**10.00 Keynote Speaker
Prof Allison James**

**Constructing Childhood and Family Life in
Contemporary British Society**

10.30 Dr Sushrut Jadhav

Why does culture matter? A view from adult psychiatry

11.00 Dr Inga-Britt Krause

**Why Children's and Young People's Services are Different:
Race & Culture and Interdisciplinary Exchange**

11.30 Discussion

12.30 LUNCH and Poster presentations

1.30 to 3.30

AFTERNOON SESSION
Culture in Practice

**Chair for Afternoon
Session**

**Dr Susan Woollacott, Consultant Child & Adolescent
Psychiatrist**

Dr Jenny Walters

Children in a white British 'underclass' (title tbc)

Dr Iyabo Fatimilehin

Working with children of African heritage

Dr Ruma Bose

(title tbc)

Dr Begum Maitra

**Immigrants, settlers and cultural choices: the second
generation**

Dr Sami Timimi

Training in Cultural Competence in CAMHS

3.30 Coffee

3.45 Plenary Session

Future Directions

4.30 CLOSE

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