

# ***Childhood visual impairment and mental health: science into practice***

2<sup>nd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> July 2018

## **Provisional Programme**

### **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> July**

16:00 – 16:30 *Tea/ coffee*

**The Philip Graham lecture (on behalf of the Mary Kitzinger Trust)**

*Introduced by Professor Rosalind Smyth (Director of UCL GOS Institute of Child Health)*

**Does attachment security matter in vulnerable children and can we enhance it?**

*Professor Stephen Scott, Institute of Psychiatry, King's College London*

17:30 – 19:00 *Drinks in the Winter Garden*

### **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July**

08:30 – 09:00 *Registration*

09:00 – 09:30 **Welcome Opening addresses:**

*Mr Matthew Shaw Medical Director, Great Ormond Street Hospital*

*Mr Robert Kitzinger Chair (Trustees), Mary Kitzinger Trust*

*Dr Naomi Dale Chair of Organising Committee*

**Theme 1: Needs, research and outcomes**

09:30 – 10:00 **Understanding childhood visual impairment and measuring quality of life**

*Professor Jugnoo Rahi, UCL Institute of Child Health and GOSH*

10:00 – 10:30 **Family wellbeing and outcomes for children with vision impairment: needs research and intervention**

*Dr John Harris, Royal Society for Blind Children*

10:30 – 11:00 **Cerebral visual impairment and brain dysfunction – from brain imaging to rehabilitation**

*Dr Corinna Bauer, Schepens Eye Research Institute of Massachusetts Eye and Ear/ Harvard Medical School USA*

11:00 – 11:30 *Coffee break*

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### **Theme 2: Early childhood needs and intervention**

- 11:30 – 12:00 **Early parenting of infants and young children with visual impairment: Research and support**  
*Dr Paula Sterkenburg, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam*
- 12:00 – 12:30 **Needs of infants and young children with visual impairment and their parents: effectiveness of early intervention (OPTIMUM project)**  
*Dr Naomi Dale, GOSH and UCL Institute of Child Health*
- 12:30 – 13:00 **The parents' perspective: the early days (parents)**
- 13:00 – 14:00 *Lunch (plus poster exhibition Day 1)*
- 14:00 – 15:00 **Oral presentations** (five presentations – 10 minutes each)

Transition from paediatric to adult ophthalmology services: what matters most to young people with visual impairment.

**Miss Alexandra Robertson**

The feasibility of using a therapeutic computer game to engage children and young people with visual field loss in visual search training.

**Dr Jonathan Waddington**

Evaluation of the effectiveness of a community-based mentoring program on psychosocial functioning and social participation of adolescents with a visual impairment: A randomized controlled trial.

**Dr Eline Heppe**

Mental health, behaviour and socioemotional profiles of children with congenital visual impairment.

**Ms Rebecca MacKechnie**

A feasibility study to test a training package on ways to support the developmental stimulation of children with vision impairment in their homes in Malawi.

**Dr Paul Lynch**

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15:00 – 16:00 **Workshops – Research into Practice**

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<p><b>Lessons from the OPTIMUM project: enhanced early intervention including the Developmental Journal Visual Impairment (DJVI)</b></p> <p><i>Dr Naomi Dale, GOSH/UCL ICH Dr Alison Salt, GOSH Dr Elena Sakkalou, UCL</i></p>	<p><b>The health/education perspective: mental health in the school environment</b></p> <p><i>Dr Huw Williams, University of Birmingham</i></p>	<p><b>Sleep and behavior regulation difficulties in children with visual impairment and additional disabilities: research and practice</b></p> <p><i>Dr Jenny Sloneem, GOSH Dr Ngozi Oluonye, GOSH/ Moorfields Eye Hospital</i></p>

16:00 – 16:20 *Tea break*

### **Theme 3: Participation, habilitation, sport and wellbeing**

16:20 – 17:20 **KEYNOTE LECTURE Focusing on Achievement: the Role of Recreation and Leisure Skills and Sports**

*Professor Lauren Lieberman, The College at Brockport, State University of New York.*

19:00 – 22:30 **Evening gala reception:** drinks and food served throughout the evening in the Garden and Garden Room at BMA House (Tavistock Square, London WC1H 9JP).



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### **Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> July**

08:15 – 08.45 *Registration*

08.45 – 09.00 *Opening Addresses:*  
*Dr Jenefer Sargent* Trustee, MKT, Great Ormond Street Hospital  
*Mr Tom Pey* Chief Executive Officer, RSBC

#### **Theme 4: Anxiety, mood and emotion regulation**

09:00 – 09:30 **Identifying and managing anxieties and phobias in children with visual impairment**  
*Dr Clare Jackson, Addenbrookes Hospital*

09:30 – 10:00 **Emotion regulation difficulties in rare genetic conditions associated with visual impairment: new insights for clinical practice**  
*Dr Jane Waite, University of Birmingham*

10:00 – 10:30 **Mood, emotion and behavioural autonomic dysregulation in septo-optic dysplasia**  
*Professor Paramala Santosh, Maudsley Hospital, Institute of Psychiatry, Kings College London*

10:30 – 11:00 *Coffee break*

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### **Theme 5: Social, behaviour and multi-sensory challenges**

- 11:00 – 11:30 **Children with multi-sensory needs: cognitive and psychological needs**  
*Dr Mathijs Vervloed, Radboud University Nijmegen*
- 11:30 – 12:00 **A novel assessment of social communication: Identifying autism in children with visual impairment (DAiSY Project)**  
*Dr Alison Salt and Dr Naomi Dale* Great Ormond Street Hospital / UCL Great Ormond Street Institute of Child Health

### 12:00 – 13:00 **Workshops – Research into Practice**

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<b>Family support across the childhood life span</b>	<b>Navigation and mobility through the urban space</b>	<b>Managing anxiety disorders and mental health of children with visual impairment and ASD: evidence from ASD and practice</b>
<i>Dr John Harris, RSBC Sue Jones, RSBC Dr Jenefer Sargent, GOSH</i>	<i>Tiernan Kenny, Wayfindr</i>	<i>Dr Miriam Bindman, GOSH Dr Elaine Clark, GOSH</i>

13:00 – 14:00 *Lunch (plus poster exhibition Day 2)*

### **Theme 6: Enhancing participation and wellbeing and outcomes**

- 14:00 – 14:25 **Identifying and supporting economic needs of families, including with children with cerebral visual impairment**  
*Professor John Ravenscroft, University of Edinburgh*
- 14:25 – 14:50 **Habilitation: enhancing mobility, orientation and everyday living skills**  
*Dr Karl Wall, UCL Institute of Education*
- 14:50 – 15:15 **Spatial technological innovations, enhanced mobility and socialization**  
*Dr Sara Finocchietti, Italian Institute of Technology, U-VIP, Genoa Italy*
- 15:15 – 15:30 *Tea break*



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#### **Theme 7: Ways forward and into the future**

- 15:30 – 15:55 **Lessons from the National Deaf Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service: considerations for a National Blind Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service?**  
*Dr Renee Barton, Consultant Child Psychiatrist, National Deaf CAMHS service (Somerset regions)*
- 15:55 – 16:20 **Adolescence and transition to adulthood: longer term outcomes and results from the Longitudinal Transitions Project**  
*Professor Graeme Douglas, University of Birmingham*
- 16:20 – 16:45 **Aiming high and aiming far: my Paralympic journey**  
*Millie Knight, School student, GB Paralympic Skier, Sochi, South Korea*
- 16:45 – 17:00 **Summing up and concluding**  
*Dr Alison Salt*                      *Chair of Scientific Committee*  
Poster award                      *(Scientific Committee)*  
Closure of conference: *Dr Rebecca Greenaway (Mary Kitzinger Trust Programme Coordinator and Dr Naomi Dale (Chair of Organising Committee, Trustee MKT)*