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## Details

Building Connections brings together community members, practitioners, educators, researchers, policy makers and civic leaders and will provide opportunities to share strategies and tools for mobilizing, monitoring, and evaluating community action on the early years agenda.

Learn more about:

- child development outcomes research
- monitoring children's outcomes and community resources
- ways to improve community-wide environments for all children
- how to strengthen connections between research and practice

Target audience:

- Educators, researchers, community program/services representatives, municipal, provincial and federal children's policy makers and civic leaders

- anyone from private, public and voluntary sectors who has a commitment to an early years action plan.

## Guest speakers include:

- Gillian Doherty, Child Care Consultant, Ontario and Adjunct Professor, Department of Family Relations and Applied Nutrition, University of Guelph

- Bob Glossop, Executive Director of the Vanier Institute of the Family
- John Godfrey, MP Don Valley West, Chair, Children's Agenda Caucus
- Sandra Griffin, Executive Director of the Canadian Child Care Federation
- Barbara Hall, Chair, National Strategy on Community Safety and Crime

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- Clyde Hertzman, Department of Health Care and Epidemiology, Faculty of Medicine, University of British Columbia
- Honourable Margaret McCain, Co-chair, Ontario's Early Years Study
- J. Fraser Mustard, Honourary Chair, Founders' Network/Co-Chair of the Early Years Learning Study for the Ontario government

- David (Dan) R. Offord, Professor of Psychiatry and Head of the Division of Child Psychiatry, McMaster University and Director of the Canadian Centre for Studies of Children at Risk

- Charles Pascal, Executive Director, The Atkinson Charitable Foundation
- Sherri Torjman, Vice President, Caledon Institute of Social Policy
- Dawn Walker, Executive Director, Canadian Institute of Child Health
- Allen Zeesman, Acting Director General, Applied Research Branch, Human Resources Development Canada; and more......

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