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I HAVE AUTISM

Free Public Lecture for Parents

Talking about Functioning and Autism

In understanding the experience of living with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) it is important to consider functioning and challenges beyond those captured within the diagnosis. The International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health (ICF) developed by the World Health Organization provides a framework supporting the comprehensive description of the lived experience of people with ASD. The ICF Core Sets for ASD (i.e. a shortlist of ICF categories most relevant for people with ASD), developed by Karolinska Institute and the ICF Research Branch, provides a tool for describing functioning and the support needs of people with ASD and their families. In this talk Prof Sven Bölte will discuss functioning in autism, present the ICF core sets for ASD and discuss how they might support communication between those living with autism, service providers and funders.

This talk will help you to better understand and frame functioning in autism, supporting your communication with service providers and disability funders.

The Curtin University Autism Research Group (CARG) and Telethon Kids Institute Autism Research Team are pleased to present a free public lecture by Prof Sven Bölte from Karolinska Institute in Sweden and Dr Ben Milbourn from Curtin University.



Sven Bölte is a Professor and Director of the Centre of Neurodevelopmental Disorders at Karolinska Institute in Sweden – a competence centre focusing on research development and education about neurodevelopmental disorders. Sven is a senior clinical psychologist with many years' experience researching autism and providing clinical services to children with neurodevelopmental disorders, including autism. He leads autism related research within the World Health Organisation. Sven collaborates extensively with researchers in Western Australia including the Curtin Autism Research Group, the Telethon Kids Institute and the Autism Association of Western Australia.



Dr Ben Milbourn is a Senior Teaching and Research Academic at the School of Occupational Therapy, Social Work and Speech Pathology, Curtin University. Ben is an early career researcher and a member of the Curtin Autism Research Group. Ben will be sharing his experiences as a parent supporting a child with autism to transition into the National Disability Insurance Scheme and plan early intervention supports using the language of participation and functioning.

Due to the overwhelming response, the venue for this free event has been moved to:

Seminar 1 & 2, Technology Park Function Centre, 2 Brodie Hall Drive, Bentley WA 6102

Wednesday, 6 March 2019

6.00pm to 8.00pm

Places are limited. Light refreshments will be provided. Please **RSVP** for catering purposes: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/talking-about-functioning-and-autism-public-lecture-for-parents-tickets-55746809207>

Intended audience: parents of children with Autism

For more information or if you are no longer able to attend, please contact Dr Elinda Lee on 9266 1790 or elinda.lee@curtin.edu.au

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