



# Evidence into practice and evidence into policy

6 - 8 September 2012

The Gateway Centre, St Andrews, Scotland, UK

**Conference Announcement and Call for Abstracts**

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International Society for Social  
Pediatrics and Child Health

**Welcome** to the inaugural conference of the new International Society for Social Paediatrics and Child Health now moving beyond its European boundaries to engage with our global partners and supporters.

Working together to use our skills, resources and knowledge to develop local and global strategies to improve the health and well being of children and young people we hope you will join us in September 2012 for what promises to be an exciting and informative conference.

Now is the time to prepare your abstract for the St Andrews conference and we are happy to receive this on any subject relevant to social paediatrics. It will be more likely to be selected if it has a global theme or refers to evidence based practice or policy. There will be oral presentation and poster sessions.

St Andrews often has fine spells of warm weather in September though don't quote me on this! The Edinburgh festival finishes on the 2nd September and is always worth a visit if you can come early and perhaps spend the intervening days exploring Fife. Whatever the weather, you can be sure of a warm welcome!

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## Conference registration

Further information regarding registration and accommodation costs can be found on page 4 of this document. Further information will be made available in due course.

Please note that acceptance of an abstract or shorter presentation application does not provide a free place at the conference. All abstract presenters, including those selected to make oral presentations, are required to register in the usual way.

## Further information/ queries

If you experience any difficulty in submitting abstracts or require further information please contact:

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# The Gateway Centre, St Andrews, Scotland UK

Renowned worldwide as the home of golf, and home to Scotland's oldest university, St Andrews is a small town with a sizeable reputation that attracts visitors from all over the world.

Most famous for its Old Course, the town has hosted many of the world's greatest golfers during countless British Open Championships. Other famous inhabitants have included Prince William & Kate Middleton who graduated from the prestigious University which dates back to 1410.

The Gateway at St Andrews University is an impressive, contemporary conference centre located at the entrance to St Andrews. Comprising a large lecture theatre, 10 break out rooms, and a large central well area the centre is suitable for all types of event. State of the art technology also makes it possible to link with remote presenters across the world - of particular benefit to the ISSOP 2012 conference.

As Scotland's oldest university St Andrews also offers beautiful historic facilities set in ancient quads. The stunning Lower College Hall situated in St Salvator's Quadrangle will be our conference dinner venue on Thursday 6 September.

En-suite university accommodation has also been reserved close to The Gateway at the nearby New Hall.

## Submission of Abstracts

The conference organisers welcome abstracts for oral and poster presentations from all specialists, practitioners and researchers on the subject of Social Paediatrics, which we define as 'an approach to child health that focuses on the child, in illness and in health, within the context of their society, environment, school and family,' and particularly around the conference themes below.

- Evidence based practice
- Evidence based policy

### Deadline for receipt of abstracts Friday 18th May 2012

#### Guidance for submission of abstracts

Abstracts that do not adhere to the guidelines outlined on the abstract submission site, or received after the closing date will not be considered.

All abstracts must be submitted online by going to [www.issop2012.co.uk](http://www.issop2012.co.uk) and clicking on the 'Abstracts' tab.

Abstracts must be submitted in English, and the presentation of all papers, posters or workshops will also be in English.

Abstracts should not exceed 350 words and should include the specific objective(s) of the study or project, methods and results. Tables, diagrams and footnotes should be avoided. Submissions may report original research, project development/evaluation, practice applications or position papers, but should all be related to the main theme or the sub themes of the conference.

#### Format

The following format should be used and should include details of the main presenter for correspondence:

- Font: Arial, Times New Roman or equivalent
- Font size: 11 with single spacing
- Title of presentation: in capitals
- Indicated preferred form of presentation: oral or poster presentation
- Names of author(s) preceded by initials
- Omit author titles, degrees etc
- Include details of main presenter for correspondence

Authors will be notified of the committee decision on their abstract by email in the week commencing Monday 11th June. If accepted they will also be informed of time, date and allocation of presentation.

Submission of an abstract implies registration for the conference and acceptance of the final decision about method and allocation of presentation by the Scientific Committee. No further correspondence will be entered into. All speakers and poster presenters must be registered for the meeting. Do not forget to mention any possible disclosures of conflicts of interest.

Poster session authors are requested to be present for discussion on the date of the assigned poster session.

## Programme

### Wednesday September 5th

The conference will open with an evening Welcome reception followed by dinner.

### Thursday September 6th

Thursday's conference will include workshops on practical examples of evidence based practice from a number of different countries, including the application of guidelines.

Confirmed speakers will include Dr Liz Mason, Director of WHO's Department of Child and Adolescent Health and Development, Professor Catherine Law, Institute of Child Health, London and other national and international keynote speakers. There will also be a number of workshops for delegates to choose with an emphasis on how we improve our own practice in accessing and implementing evidence.

An international panel discussion and free paper sessions will also feature.

On Thursday evening delegates can attend the ISSOP Annual Conference dinner and enjoy some traditional ceilidh music and dancing.

### Friday September 7th

Friday's conference will include:

- Workshops using examples of influencing policy through advocacy
- Contributions from young people
- Health & Human Rights
- The use of the Early Development Index in influencing government policy.

Confirmed speakers include Dr Harry Burns, Chief Medical Officer for Scotland, Tam Baillie, Scotland's Commissioner for Children and Young People and Prof David Sanders from Cape Town.

We will also have contributions from young people along with workshops and free paper sessions.

### Saturday September 8th

On Saturday there will be a number of free paper presentations. There will also be an opportunity to visit some of the most scenic spots in Fife including the historic fishing villages of Elie, Pittenweem and Anstruther. There is an additional charge for this tour.

#### Registration Costs

**Package A:** Full Conference Package including Welcome Reception, Thursday & Friday conference, Conference Dinner (Thurs), Friday Dinner and accommodation for 3 nights (Wed/Thurs/Fri) **£525**

**Package B:** Including Welcome Reception, Thursday & Friday conference, Conference Dinner (Thurs) and accommodation for 2 nights (Wed/Thurs) **£480**

**Package C:** Including Thursday & Friday conference, Conference Dinner (Thurs) but excluding the Welcome Reception (Wed) and accommodation **£305**

Thursday Day Delegate Ticket **£175**

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Friday Dinner **£25**

Tour of Fife (Saturday) **£20**



#### Sponsored Places

A number of sponsored places will be available to enable deserving individuals (who are unable to financially support their own attendance) to participate in the conference.

Requests for these places will be considered on an individual basis as they are received. To apply please send a short statement with your request to [enquiries@issop2012.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@issop2012.co.uk)

Book your place online:  
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