

## MONTESSORI ECEC PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND NETWORKING WORKSHOP – NSW/ACT

Tuesday, 24 February 2015, 9:00am - 4:30pm Coogee



## NQS, EYLF and Montessori – Putting it all together

Presented by Christine Harrison, Barbara Langford, Sara Brady and Abigail Weldon-Chan

The following topics will be covered:

- Assessment and Ratings: So you want to exceed or be excellent?
   Experience from those that have.
- Montessori and best practice ECEC a match made in heaven.
- Montessori for babies and toddlers are we meeting their needs and the EYLF?
- ACECQA Update on Assessment & Ratings Process and Q & A Session.



Session 1

9:00am-11:00am



**CHRISTINE HARRISON** has been involved in Montessori education since 1985 and was Principal of the Canberra Montessori School, one of the largest Montessori schools in Australia, for over ten years. She is the founding Chair of the Montessori Australia Foundation and was Chair of the Association of Independent Schools in the ACT and on the Board of the Independent Schools Council of Australia. Christine has been involved in policy development, compliance, student care, curriculum development and educational leadership in schools and has a background in mediation, conflict resolution, adult education and a particular interest in governance in community organisations. Christine is a senior consultant for the Montessori Australia Foundation.



pears during which time she has established six highly regarded Montessori ECEC centres in Adelaide. Barbara is a passionate advocate for raising the quality of education and care for young children. She spent many years as the President of both Childcare SA and also Childcare Associations Australia enabling her to champion at both a State and Federal Government level for the benefits of high quality early education for children. Barbara also runs a consultancy business called Montessori Management and Mentoring (MWM) through which she offers her expertise to assist others in the establishment of new centres and the training of staff. Barbara was recently appointed as a Deputy Member of the Education and Early Childhood Services Registration and Standards Board of SA and is currently the Manager of Montessori Early Childhood Australia (MECA), a division of Montessori Australia Foundation.



**SARA BRADY** obtained her AMI Assistants to Infancy (0-3) Diploma in 2001, Masters in Montessori Education in 2003 and AMI 3-6 Diploma in 2006. Sara worked at Computer Associates, onsite Long Day Care Centre from when it opened in April 1999 to December 2003 and worked at Farmhouse Montessori Infant Community from February 2004 to December 2006. Sara has three young children and currently offers part-time Montessori care in her home environment and works at Forestville Montessori School toddler programme. Sara is currently undertaking the AMI Training of Trainers programme.



**ABIGAIL WELDON-CHAN** holds a Masters in Early Childhood Teaching from the University of Melbourne and has worked as a teacher and teacher trainer in Primary, Secondary and Early Years settings across Australia, China and the United Kingdom. While completing her Masters thesis entitled "Toward consistent quality performance in Australian education and care settings", she worked as a research assistant at the University of Melbourne, developing training on the newly introduced National Quality Framework. Since then she has written further materials and delivered training to Authorised Officers using the National Quality Standard in settings across Australia. For the past year she has worked at ACECQA, most recently managing the Operations team responsible for the Ratings Review and Excellent Rating processes.

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