Speakers and Bio

Host and Moderator



Associate Professor Robyn Mildon, PhD

Visiting Associate Professor, Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine, National University of Singapore

Executive Director, Centre for Evidence and Implementation (CEI), Singapore/Australia/UK

Robyn Mildon, PhD, is an internationally recognised figure in the field of evidence synthesis and translation, implementation science and program and policy evaluations in health and human services with particular expertise in early childhood. She is the Founding Executive Director of the <u>Centre for Evidence and Implementation (CEI)</u>, a global social purpose organisation whose work now spans across 8 countries.

Robyn is a Visiting Associate Professor at the Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine, National University of Singapore, Co-Director of the recently established Centre for Behavioural and Implementation Science Interventions (BISI), National University of Singapore, an Adjunct Associate Professor at Monash University in Australia, and Chair of the Evidence and Implementation Summit 2021 (www.eisummit.org).

Over her career, Robyn's work has helped to advance the implementation of better evidence in policy and practice settings, improving the quality and effectiveness of health and human services. She has been a keynote speaker at multiple events around the globe and designed and led a number of workshops to train students, policy makers and practitioners in implementation science and evaluation methods. Robyn has authored or coauthored multiple peer-reviewed publications, commissioned evidence reviews and book chapters. She is also a Co-Author of an edited book *Implementation Science 3.0* (Springer, 2020).



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Ms Samantha Page

CEO, Early Childhood Australia

Samantha Page is the CEO of Early Childhood Australia. ECA was established in 1938 and works with Government, early childhood professionals, parents, other carers of young children, and various lobby groups to advocate to ensure quality, social justice and equity in all issues relating to the education and care of children from birth to eight years. ECA is a not-for-profit membership based organisation. It also has a successful retail and publishing arm, producing a number of very well regarded subscription based publications including the Australian Journal of Early Childhood.

Sam also serves on the Board of Perinatal Anxiety and Depression Australia and on a number of government advisory bodies.

Sam holds a Master's Degree in Management and a Bachelor's Degree in Psychology and has worked in the non-government sector for over 30 years across roles encompassing executive management, management consulting, social policy analysis, advocacy and the delivery of human services. She brings extensive experience in the development and implementation of sector development projects funded by Federal and State Government agencies. She has overseen workforce development and scholarship programs, training initiatives as well as consultation and evaluation projects that have involved working effectively across government and non-government partners to support effective service delivery.

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Associate Professor Kenneth Poon

Co-Director,Centre for Research in Child
Development

Associate Dean, Education Research, National Institute of Education, Nanyang Technological University Kenneth Poon is Associate Dean (Education Research) and as Co-Director at the Centre for Research in Child Development at the Nanyang Technological University, Singapore. Trained as a clinical psychologist and in early intervention, his research focuses on the developmental trajectories of children with developmental disabilities as well as those from disadvantaged environments, and how their development can be supported in optimized.

Kenneth currents serves as President of Rainbow Centre (Singapore), as Board Member of the National Council of Social Service, and as Treasurer on the Board of the International Association for the Scientific Study of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities. He was also recently appointed as Singapore Government representative to the ASEAN Commission on the Promotion and Protection of the Rights of Women and Children (ACWC).



Programme

Date/Time: 12 August 2022, 10 – 11am (SGT) / 12 – 1pm (AEST)

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