

School-Based Family Counselling Symposium

School-Based Family Counselling –

Negotiations and Integrations between ‘Old’ and ‘New’

Date: 25th June, 2011 (Saturday)

Time: 9:00am – 12:30pm

Venue: Council Chamber, A-4/F, Hong Kong Institute of Education, Tai Po, Hong Kong

Programme: Keynote Speech 1

Overview of School-Based Family Counselling

Speaker: Dr. Brain Gerrard

Keynote Speech 2

Building Resilience in Migrant Families – An Illustration of School-Based Family Counselling in Action

Speaker: Dr. Hans Everts

Keynote Speech 3

Intergenerational Negotiations and Integrations in School-Based Family Counselling

Speaker: Dr. Lau Yuk-King

Questions and Answers

Chairperson: Dr. Pattie Luk

Resilient Couples, Strong Families – A Psycho-Educational Workshop

Date: 25th June, 2011 (Saturday)

Time: 2:00pm – 5:00pm

Venue: Institute Reception, A-G/F-08, Hong Kong Institute of Education, Tai Po, Hong Kong

Trainer: Dr. Hans Everts

Admission is FREE for both the Symposium and Couple Resilience Workshop.

Biography of the Speakers

Dr. Brian Gerrard, Ph.D.

Brian Gerrard is a tenured Associate Professor in the Counselling Psychology Department at the University of San Francisco. He holds teaching awards from two universities and has extensive experience teaching a wide variety of MA and doctoral level courses in counselor education. He developed USF's masters Marital and Family Therapy program and for 14 years served as MFT Coordinator. He has been Chair of the Counselling Psychology Department twice and is currently Executive Director of the University of San Francisco Center for Child and Family Development. The Center has for 25 years managed the largest longest-running School-Based Family Counselling program of its type in the USA. Its *Mission Possible Program* has served more than 10,000 children and families in over 100 Bay area schools, and received over \$2.5 million in funding. He is also Chair of the *Institute for School-Based Family Counselling*. The Institute sponsors the *International Journal for School-Based Family Counselling* and the *Oxford Symposium in School-Based Family Counselling*. He is Symposium Director for the *Oxford Symposium in School-Based Family Counselling* which is an international association with members in 22 countries and which meets at Brasenose College, Oxford University in even years and other international sites in alternate years. His publications include the books Interpersonal Skills for Health Professionals (Reston), Learning by Doing: Developing Teaching Skills (Addison-Wesley) and Understanding Yourself and Others: a Workbook of Psychological Activities and Experiments (Harper and Row).

Dr. Hans Everts, Ph. D.

Born in the Netherlands, Dr. Hans Everts lived there and in Indonesia as a child before migrating to New Zealand with his family in 1955. Educated at the University of Canterbury and University of Auckland, he obtained post-graduate qualifications and professional registration in Clinical Psychology and Educational Psychology, and completed his PhD in Counselling Psychology. He has taught at the University of Auckland since 1970, primarily as Coordinator of Counsellor Education. He retired from full-time teaching in 2007, and currently holds an Honorary Research Fellow position at the University of Auckland.

His primary research involvements are in family psychology, school-based family counselling, cross-cultural psychology, migration, and family resilience. He has attended numerous international conferences, and taught in a range of international institutions – including the University of British Columbia, San Francisco State University, the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, Penn State University, the University of Groningen in the Netherlands, the Singapore Institute of Education, the University of Malaya, the University of Science in Malaysia, and Padjajaran University in Bandung, Indonesia.

The current presentation is part of an international collaborative project between the Hong Kong Institute of Education, the University of San Francisco and the University of Auckland, to develop a Masters degree programme in School-Based Family Counselling at the Hong Kong Institute of Education; and also initiate a conjoint professional education and research programme in Hong Kong in the area of couple and family resilience.

Dr Lau Yuk King (劉玉琮博士), B.Soc.Sc., MSW, PhD. (CUHK), RSW

Dr Lau is a Professional Consultant in the Department of Social Work, The Chinese University of Hong Kong. She is an experienced trainer and clinical supervisor in clinical social work practice. She has a special concern on the challenges encountered by families in the changing society and has been active in promoting a resilience perspective on these families. Her teaching areas include clinical and integrated social work practice, family therapy, family-centered social work and family theories. Her research areas include practice research on family therapy, work-family interface, cross-border living families, family policy and family impact analysis, and the development of indigenous model of family-centered practice on working with school refusals and post-divorce families.