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ONTARIO RETT SYNDROME ASSOCIATION 2018 CONFERENCE

April 13, 14 & 15, 2018

**HELPING FAMILIES & INDIVIDUALS WITH
RETT SYNDROME FOR 27 YEARS**

MESSAGE FROM

OUR MISSION

The Ontario Rett Syndrome Association (O.R.S.A.) exists to ensure that children and adults with Rett Syndrome are enabled to achieve their full potential and enjoy the highest quality of life within their community.

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“BELIEVE IN TOMORROW” – The Ontario Rett Syndrome Association's 2018 conference extraordinaire. Twenty-eight (28) guest speakers in total! Fourteen (14) of which are Clinicians, some of those clinicians are also Researchers. Seven basic Scientists added to the mix. Topped up with two (2) newcomers from Literacy and Communications, that have never presented at an O.R.S.A. conference. We are so excited to welcome all our speakers, past and new, to this year's Believe In Tomorrow Conference and to our growing O.R.S.A. family.

Complexity is often used to describe Rett syndrome. Based on all complexities, this conference has brought together enough knowledge to assist you while you navigate your journey. The conference will help you to understand you are not alone. With every question there should be an answer. For the novice to the most seasoned individual this conference has something for you. Attending this conference may open your mind to things you may not have considered. The latest research updates, both Canadian and International Clinic Trial information will be shared, literacy techniques, adulthood living, sustaining your future and so much more!

Alone we can do so little, together we can do so much
Helen Keller

Please join us in April at the 2018 conference because we all should **“Believe In Tomorrow”**.

Sherry Lawrence
Conference Chair

CONFERENCE

April 12 – Thursday Evening

6:00 – 8:00 p.m. Early Registration

April 13 – Friday

Research Day:

8:00 – 8:30 a.m. Registration

8:30 – 8:45 a.m. Welcome

8:45 – 9:30 a.m. Genetics 101: **DR. VICKY SIU and DR. PATRICK MACLEOD**

9:30 – 10:15 a.m. Research Updates: **DRS. JAMES EUBANKS, JOHN VINCENT, JAMES ELLIS**

10:15 – 10:30 a.m. **Break**

10:30 – 11:30 a.m. Research Updates: **DRS. MONICA JUSTICE, JASON LERCH, DAVID KATZ**

11:30 – 12:00 p.m. Question Panel – moderated by **DR. MACLEOD**

12:00 – 1:00 p.m. **Lunch**

1:00 – 1:15 p.m. Post-Mortem Brain Donation Protocol: **DR. PATRICK MACLEOD**

1:15 – 1:45 p.m. 2017 Research Grant Recipients: **DR. DAVID GRYNSPAN & DR. SARAH SCHOCK**

1:45 – 2:15 p.m. Natural History Study: **DR. ALAN PERCY**

2:15 – 2:30 p.m. **Break**

2:30 – 3:00 p.m. International Clinical Trials: **DR. JEFFREY NEUL**

3:00 – 3:15 p.m. Top 10 Priorities for Neurodevelopmental Disorders in Ontario

3:15 – 4:00 p.m. Clinical Trials in Canada: **DR. EVDOKIA ANAGNOSTOU**

4:00 – 4:30 p.m. Question Panel - moderated by **DR. MACLEOD**

Please Note: Friday dinner is not provided as part of the conference package. There are two restaurants on site.

Family Social Night 7:30 – 9:00 p.m.

This optional event is designed for families of someone with Rett syndrome, but everyone is welcome to join us! Check out our Rett syndrome trivia game. Guess the number of "chromosomes" in the jar. Get to know other families who live near you or who have children around the same age. Find out about the best ways to stay connected between conferences. This is a very low-key gathering. Feel free to drop in!

April 14 – Saturday

Medical Management:

8:30 – 9:00 a.m. Medical Surveillance Guidelines for Rett Syndrome: **DR. MELISSA CARTER**

9:00 – 9:30 a.m. Management of Seizures: **DR. ERICK SELL**

9:30 – 10:00 a.m. Gastrointestinal Problems in Rett Syndrome: **DR. KEVIN BAX**

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10:00 – 10:15 a.m. Break

- 10:15 – 10:45 a.m. Musculoskeletal Considerations in Rett Syndrome: **DR. CAITLIN CASSIDY**
- 10:45 – 11:15 a.m. Complex Care Plans: **ERIN BRANDON AND NANCY CAMPBELL**
- 11:15 – 12:00 p.m. Question Panel – Several doctors will be available to answer your questions.

12:00 – 1:00 p.m. Lunch

	Trillium B	Trillium C
1:00 – 1:45 p.m.	Celebrating Progress: Look Who's Talking! Parent reflections on communication JENNIFER FACCHINELLI, KAREN CONGRAM	Adult Medical Issues JANE LANE, DR. CAITLIN CASSIDY
1:45 – 2:30 p.m.	"Motivate, Model, Move Out of the Way!" Strategies to Overcome Apraxia KATE AHERN	My Direct Plan: Funding Management for Passport, Residential and Special Services at Home HASSNANE SAJAN
2:30 – 2:45 p.m.	Break	
2:45 – 3:30 p.m.	Aided Language Input Made Easy - Strive For Five! DR. CAROLINE MUSSELWHITE	Organizing Support for the Adult Years: Parent reflections on a meaningful lifestyle TERRY BOYD, SHERRY LAWRENCE
3:30 – 4:15 p.m.	Tips and Tricks for AAC Programming TOBII DYNAVOX REPRESENTATIVE	Breathing Problems in Rett Syndrome DR. JACKIE CHIANG

Celebration Dinner

- 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. Reception, Group Photo
- 6:30 – 9:00 p.m. Dinner, Awards & Tributes
- 9:00 – 11:00 p.m. Hospitality Room Open

April 15 – Sunday

Concurrent Session:

	Trillium B	Trillium C
8:30 – 10:00 a.m. (Double Session)	AAC Interaction During Shared Reading DR. CAROLINE MUSSELWHITE	Sustaining your Future: Person-Centred Planning and Microboards BRENDON POORAN, PARTNERS FOR PLANNING
10:00 – 10:15 a.m.	Break	
10:15 – 11:00 a.m.	Expectations without Demands: An Apraxia-sensitive approach to communication goals KATE AHERN	Consent, Capacity & Legal Decision- Making BRENDON POORAN, PARTNERS FOR PLANNING
11:00 – 11:45 a.m.	All She Wants is TV! Strategies to Manage Screen Addiction KATE AHERN	Mental Fitness: Applying mindfulness to decrease stress and increase happiness ELLI WEISBAUM

11:45 – 12:00 p.m. Final Remarks and Conference Feedback Forms

12:00 p.m. Lunch and Goodbye

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SPEAKER



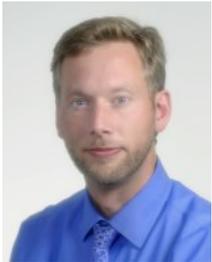
KATE AHERN, is an assistive technology specialist and a teacher of learners with multiple or significant special needs. She has a Masters of Education in Intensive Special Needs. She comes to us with years of teaching experience with all age groups and in various settings in Massachusetts. Kate is passionate about helping nonverbal students reach their communication

potential through the use of augmentative and alternative communication (AAC). She currently works in private practice, consulting in schools and homes, developing and leading AAC groups and tutoring individuals in literacy and communication.



DR. EVDOKIA ANAGNOSTOU, MD, is a child neurologist and senior clinician scientist at Holland Bloorview Kids Rehabilitation Hospital. Dr. Anagnostou is also the Assistant Director of Holland Bloorview's Research Institute; co-leading the Autism Research Centre (ARC). Dr. Anagnostou holds a Canada Research Chair in translational

therapeutics in Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) and the Dr. Stuart D. Sims Chair in Autism at Holland Bloorview. Her research focuses on translating genomic and systems biology findings into novel treatments for ASD. She is also an associate professor in the department of pediatrics at the University of Toronto, which is fully affiliated with Holland Bloorview.



DR. KEVIN BAX, MD, joined the Department of Paediatrics at the Children's Hospital London Health Sciences in 2009. He was born in Thunder Bay, Ontario. He moved to Michigan to complete his undergraduate training at Calvin College, Grand Rapids, Michigan. He then graduated from Indiana University School of Medicine. He

served as paediatric resident, as well as a paediatric gastroenterology fellow at James Whitcomb Riley Hospital for Children. Dr. Bax is part of the Rett syndrome clinic located at Thames Valley Children's Centre in London, Ontario.



TERRY BOYD, has years of experience volunteering and advocating in the field of developmental disabilities. She's held numerous board and committee positions with Community Living, the Ministry of Community & Social Services (MCSS) and the Ministry of Health (MOH). Many will know Terry as the former president of the Ontario Rett Syndrome Association. Terry and

her husband, Dean have three children. The youngest, Kayleigh, is 30 years old and has Rett syndrome. Kayleigh lives at home and is supported by her parents and peer staffing who are funded by MOH Home Care Program and MCSS Passport Program. Kayleigh lives a full life volunteering, enjoying new experiences and directing her daily living.



ERIN BRANDON, RN (EC), MN is the Paediatric Nurse Practitioner at the Holland Bloorview Kids Rehabilitation Hospital Complex Care Neuromotor & Rett Syndrome Clinics. She has expertise and professional interest in the medical management of children with medical complexity



NANCY CAMPBELL, is a Registered Practical Nurse at Holland Bloorview Kids Rehabilitation Hospital. She is the Rett Syndrome Clinic's nurse coordinator. This clinic provides comprehensive medical care and care coordination for individuals with Rett syndrome less than 18 years of age. Nancy also coordinates the Hypertonia and Spina Bifida/Spinal Cord Injury Clinics.

BIOGRAPHIES



DR. MELISSA CARTER, MD, is a clinical geneticist at The Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario (CHEO), and Assistant Professor at the University of Ottawa. She has recently replaced Dr. Peter Humphreys as the Medical Director of the CHEO Rett Syndrome Clinic. Prior to joining CHEO in 2016, Dr. Carter was at The Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto. She was the

Founder and Medical Director of the Rett Syndrome Clinic at Holland Bloorview from 2013-2016. She also completed a clinical fellowship in Developmental Paediatrics at Holland Bloorview Kids Rehabilitation Hospital in Toronto (2009-2011).



DR. CAITLIN CASSIDY, MD, completed her residency training in Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation (PM&R) at Western University in 2014. She is currently an Assistant Professor in the Departments of PM&R and Paediatrics at Western University. Dr. Cassidy's main clinical focus is in the Transitional and Lifelong Care (TLC) Program, housed primarily at

Parkwood Institute, St. Joseph's Health Care London (St. Joseph's). The program provides long term rehabilitative care to people with chronic and sometimes complex conditions of childhood onset, including Rett syndrome. Dr. Cassidy's other clinical responsibilities include inpatient coverage of the Musculoskeletal Rehabilitation unit at Parkwood Institute.



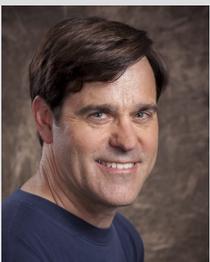
DR. JACKIE CHIANG, MD, completed her medical degree at the University of Ottawa, followed by a Paediatric residency at the University of Toronto. She subsequently completed a Paediatric Respiriology fellowship at the Hospital for Sick Children, where she was the Chief Fellow. Since the completion of Dr. Chiang's studies, she has worked at

Holland Bloorview Kids Rehabilitation Hospital where she remains involved in the respiratory care of children with neurodevelopmental or musculoskeletal conditions. Dr. Chiang also recently rejoined the Division of Respiratory Medicine at the Hospital for Sick Children as a member of the Long Term Ventilation program.



KAREN CONGRAM, is a Learning for All Coach who works with teachers to design for inclusive education. She serves on the Board of Directors for the Ontario Rett Syndrome Association. She is a mother of three, including Abby (18) who has Rett syndrome. Together, Karen and Abby have been learning and teaching about communication, literacy and eye-

tracking technology for almost five years.



DR. JAMES ELLIS, completed PhD at the University of Toronto, developing retrovirus vectors for gene targeting. He established his own research team at the Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto in 1994 with a focus on gene therapy for Sickle Cell Anemia. There, the team worked to find a means to manipulate stem cells for molecular medicine. The Ellis team developed

MECP2 vectors for gene therapy of Rett syndrome. They also developed and currently use patient induced Pluripotent Stem (iPS) cells to model Rett syndrome. In addition, they perform drug screens on patient iPS cell derived cells to exploit their potential to discover personalized medicines.



DR. JAMES EUBANKS, PhD, is a Senior Scientist and the Head of the Genetics and Development Division at the Krembil Research Institute in Toronto. When mutations of the MeCP2 gene were identified as primary causes of Rett syndrome in 1999, the Eubanks lab had already been investigating MeCP2. They've shown that the reintroduction of

normal MeCP2 throughout the brain of MeCP2-deficient mice, or into specific regions of their brain, can improve many aspects of their Rett-like condition. The team is currently exploring potential genetic modification and pharmacological therapies for the treatment of Rett syndrome.

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JENNIFER FACCHINELLI, is widely known as 'Ava's mom'. She has presented and shared her experiences with Rett syndrome and communication for Easter Seals, Holland Bloorview, Tobii Dynavox, and Today's Parent. According to Ava, she is really embarrassing.

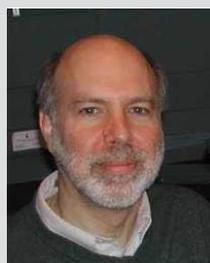


DR. DAVID GRYNSPAN, MD, is a Paediatric Pathologist at the Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario where he has been conducting research on the enteric nervous system since 2009. His interest in the neurological basis of intestinal dysfunction in Rett syndrome was sparked by clinical observations made by Dr. Peter Humphreys who is a role model and mentor. He is also fortunate to have been mentored in neuroscience by Professor William Staines at the University of Ottawa, with whom he formed a collaborative team that was the first to show expression of the MeCP2 gene in intestinal neurons. In 2017, Dr. Gynspan was awarded a \$100,000 research grant from the Ontario Rett Syndrome Association.



DR. MONICA JUSTICE, PhD, is the Head and a Senior Scientist in the Genetics & Genome Biology program at The Hospital for Sick Children (SickKids) in Toronto. She recently moved to this position from Baylor College of Medicine, Houston, Texas, where she was a Professor in the Department of Molecular and Human Genetics and Director of the Mouse

Embryonic Stem Cell Core and the BaSH Consortium for the Production and Broad-based Phenotyping of Knockout Mice. Justice received her PhD from Kansas State University in mouse developmental genetics and was a postdoctoral fellow in the Mammalian Genetics Laboratory at the National Cancer Institute.



DR. DAVID KATZ, PhD is Professor of Neurosciences and Psychiatry at Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine in Cleveland, Ohio. The Katz lab is involved in efforts to develop and evaluate potential Rett syndrome (RTT) therapeutics in mouse models, with a particular focus on molecules targeting the BDNF/TrkB signaling pathway, as well as glutamate signaling through the NMDA receptor. Results from the NMDA program have recently translated into a clinical trial of low-dose ketamine in RTT patients. In addition to his academic work, David is co-founder of ArRETT Neurosciences, a startup created to advance treatments for RTT and related neurodevelopmental disorders.



JANE LANE, BSN, RN has 25 years' experience as a research manager in child neurology at the Civitan International Research Center at the University of Alabama at Birmingham, the last 12 years devoted exclusively to Rett syndrome. She is the Project Manager for the Rett Syndrome and Rett-related Disorders Consortium as part of the NIH-funded Rare Diseases

Network, which works to define the natural history of these disorders. She has co-authored over 25 publications, almost all pertaining to Rett syndrome.



SHERRY LAWRENCE, for several years, has been an active member of her community in Paris, Ontario, volunteering on the Accessibility Committee for the County of Brant and working as a Fitness Instructor. Sherry has been volunteering with the Ontario Rett Syndrome Association for over 19 years. She and her family have coordinated the Run4Rett since 2012. Sherry and David have three adult children. Olivia is 27 years old and has Rett syndrome. Olivia resides at home and is supported by her parents and her network of excellent staff, who are funded by Paramed Home Care Program and MCSS Passport Program. Olivia lives a very engaged and fulfilling lifestyle.

BIOGRAPHIES



DR. JASON LERCH, PhD, is a Senior Scientist at the Mouse Imaging Centre (MICe) of the Hospital for Sick Children and an Associate Professor in Medical Biophysics at the University of Toronto. Prior to MICe, he completed his Ph.D. in 2005 in the Department of Neurology and Neurosurgery at McGill University. His Ph.D. research was on in-vivo measurements of cortical thickness

from MRI. Currently, his research focus is on detecting neuroanatomical changes due to behavioural and genetic manipulations in tightly controlled mouse models, primarily related to neurodevelopmental disorders, and to relate these findings to human subjects.



DR. PATRICK MACLEOD, MD, is a Pediatrician and Medical Geneticist and a member of the Vancouver Island Medical Genetics Program based in Victoria B.C. He is a Clinical Professor in the Department of Medical Genetics University of British Columbia and an Adjunct Clinical Professor at the Centre for Biomedical Research at the University of Victoria.

Dr. MacLeod has been involved in various aspects of Rett Syndrome Clinical Research beginning in 1985. He is currently a member of the Scientific Advisory Committee of the Ontario Rett Syndrome Association.



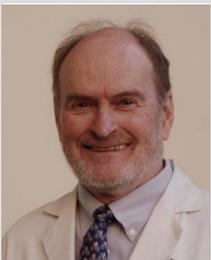
DR. CAROLINE MUSSELWHITE, PhD, is an assistive technology specialist with more than 40 years of experience working with children and adolescents with significant disabilities in a variety of settings, including Head Start, clinics, developmental day programs, homes, and the public schools. Dr. Musselwhite has written a number of textbooks and "how-to"

books on a range of topics, and has also authored many books and software programs for youth with disabilities. She has presented thousands of workshops throughout North and South America, Australia, Europe, and Africa, and is a founding member and Fellow of the International Society for Augmentative and Alternative Communication.



DR. JEFFREY NEUL, MD, PhD is the Director of the Vanderbilt Kennedy Center and the Annette Schaffer Eskind Chair of Pediatrics. He completed a post-doctoral fellowship in the laboratory of Dr. Huda Zoghbi at Baylor College of Medicine. After Baylor, Dr. Neul became the Division Chief of Child Neurology and Professor of Neurosciences at the University of

California, San Diego and Rady Children's Hospital San Diego. He moved to Vanderbilt University Medical Center in 2017 where he continues his work on clinical care, clinical research, and translational/basic research on Rett syndrome and related disorders.



DR. ALAN PERCY, MD, is a pediatric neurologist at the University of Alabama at Birmingham. In 1983 he was one of the first physicians to recognize Rett syndrome (RTT) in the United States and actively pursued clinical and laboratory studies in RTT. He is the principal investigator of the Rett syndrome and Rett-related disorders Rare Disease Clinical

Research Consortium. He encouraged Dr. Huda Zoghbi to pursue genetic studies in RTT, leading to identification of mutations in MECP2 in 1999. He remains committed to finding meaningful approaches to effective treatment for this unique neurodevelopmental disorder.



BRENDON POORAN, is the principal lawyer at PooranLaw. He is involved in all areas of the firm's practice and regularly provides advice to individuals, families, organizations and government in the areas of wills & estates planning, disability law, and corporate law for not-for-profit and charitable organizations. As well as being a lawyer, Brendon teaches

Critical Disability Law at York University, is the Past-President of Community Living York South and is a founding director of Plan Toronto (now Partners for Planning). He is also a lawyer member on the Ontario Consent and Capacity Board and provides performance management solutions to organizations in the human services arena.

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HASSNANE SAJAN, is the CEO at Darts Solutions Inc., a technology-based organization located in Vaughan, Ontario. Hassnane has been involved in the technology field for over 20 years. He has led numerous projects with both the private and public sector including key initiatives for the Ministry of Community and Social Services (MCSS). Darts Solutions,

in cooperation with families and several agencies, has developed MyDirectPlan – an online province-wide cloud based application that assists families in managing their Passport, Residential and Special Services at Home (SSAH) funding. His organization has also collaborated with the Developmental Services sector to build a standardized data transfer protocol.



DR. SARAH SCHOCK, is a Research Associate at the Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario Research Institute. Her interests lie in repurposing drugs to find novel therapeutics for rare neurodevelopmental disorders, such as Rett syndrome. Sarah focuses her studies on the brain as well as the gastrointestinal tract. She is currently analyzing the neurochemical

changes in each of these systems and determining how neurons communicate differently in various Rett syndrome models. Discovering drugs which restore proper neuronal communication is the primary goal of her research.



DR. ERICK SELL, MD, is a paediatric neurologist at the Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario (CHEO) and Assistant Professor at the University of Ottawa. After medical training in Costa Rica, he completed two fellowships - pediatric neurology and pediatric epilepsy - both at the Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto from 2002 to 2006. He then returned to Costa Rica

in 2007 and worked at the National Children's Hospital in San Jose, in the epilepsy monitoring unit and the vagal nerve program. He returned once more to CHEO in 2010 where his research interests include paediatric epilepsy and electroencephalography.



DR. VICKY SIU, MD, is a paediatrician and medical geneticist working out of the London Health Sciences Centre and is the medical director of the Medical Genetics Program of Southwestern Ontario. She remembers being introduced to Rett Syndrome by Dr. Patrick Macleod during her fellowship training. She was instrumental in founding and leading

the multidisciplinary Rett Syndrome clinic at Thames Valley Children's Centre in London, ON. She is continually inspired by many wonderful young women with Rett syndrome and their families.



DR. JOHN VINCENT, PhD, is a Senior Scientist/Principal Investigator at the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health and is a Professor of Psychiatry and cross-appointed as a full member in the Institute of Medical Science at the University of Toronto. His work is on the genetics of neuropsychiatric and neurodevelopmental disorders. In 2004, he co-authored a seminal paper

on the identification of an alternative version (isoform) of the Rett syndrome protein, MeCP2, identifying the first Rett mutation in MECP2 exon 1. Dr Vincent's group also identified the gene PTCHD1 as a new X-linked gene for ASD. Dr Vincent also works on identifying autosomal recessive genes ID, through the study of families from countries with high rates of consanguinity (Pakistan and Iran).



ELLI WEISBAUM, is an instructor for the Applied Mindfulness and Meditation Certificate Program at the University of Toronto in the continuing Education Faculty. She holds a masters degree focused on bringing mindfulness into education. She spent a year as the international program coordinator for Wake Up Schools, a global initiative to cultivate

mindfulness in education, established by Nobel Peace Prize nominee, scholar and Zen Master Thich Nhat Hanh. She is currently pursuing her PhD at the University of Toronto in the Institute of Medical Science and completing her teacher training with Search Inside Yourself, an emotional intelligence and mindfulness program.

CONFERENCE INFORMATION

WELCOME

The "Believing In Tomorrow" conference officially begins on Friday April 13, 2018. Early registration is available Thursday April 12, 2018. We invite you to join us in the Hospitality Suite. Thursday – 6:00 – 11:00, Friday 9:00 – 11:00 and Saturday 9:00 - 11:00. Come meet new families or reconnect with families from conferences prior. Perhaps engage in a conversation with a Researcher or Doctor or one in the same. Friday evening and Saturday evening are family-friendly events.

FRIDAY FAMILY SOCIAL NIGHT

This optional event is designed for families of someone with Rett syndrome. Everyone is welcome to join us. Get to know other families who live near you or who have children around the same age. Find out about the best ways to stay connected between conferences.

EXHIBITOR FAIR

Visit the Exhibitor Fair located downstairs in the Cabinet Room throughout the conference. Peruse different agencies that may provide support to those living with Rett syndrome. Friday April 13th & Saturday April 14th, 2018 ~ 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

RESOURCE CENTRE

The Ontario Rett Syndrome Association's Resource Centre will be located at the registration desk. Merchandise and educational materials will be available. The hub of the conference, for any questions concerns or directions.

DRESS ATTIRE

Casual conference wear is highly recommended for comfort while listening to presenters. During the 'Celebration Dinner', semi-formal attire would be recommended with a fresh spring flare!

THE CELEBRATION DINNER

O.R.S.A. invites all those we call our friends, our family, our acquaintances, our loved ones to come enjoy a "celebration Dinner". Let's celebrate via recognition, awards, sharing our vision, past, present and future. Embracing each other's individuality yet recognizing all our similarities. Please welcome friends and family all those that have not attended the conference. Additional Celebration Dinner tickets are available for purchase at the cost of \$50.00 per adult or \$25.00 per child (3–10 yrs.). Order these extra tickets when you register. All children and/or adults with Rett syndrome will be O.R.S.A.'s special guest and will receive a complimentary celebration dinner. Individuals with Rett syndrome will need to register for the dinner. Deadline is March 24th 2018.

BELIEVING IN TOMORROW CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

Please be sure to complete the registration form in its entirety. To allow for more choice, we are offering concurrent sessions on Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning. No need to choose when registering. Each person in the sessions and lunches must be a paid attendee. The conference registration fee for Friday covers breaks and lunch. On Saturday the fee covers breaks, lunch and the celebration Dinner. On Sunday the fee covers a break and lunch. Also provided is a conference attendee bag and folder. Reminder: Attendees must be 16 years of age or older.

Registration closes March 24th, 2018.

NOT INCLUDED: Accommodations – Please be sure to book your own accommodations and/or hotel room(s).

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Single and Double Rate - \$129.00 - **(plus tax & DMP) \$149.65 inclusive**

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Quad Rate - \$149.00 - **(plus tax & DMP) \$172.85 inclusive**

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