

Details of invited speakers and presentations

Identification

Screening and Surveillance for Autistic Spectrum Disorders for pre-school and school age children - (9 May 2001)

<i>Speaker</i>	<i>Topic</i>
Professor David Elliman <i>Consultant in Community Child Health Chairman, CHSG of National Screening Committee</i>	Screening Programmes
Dr James Law <i>Lecturer, City University, London</i>	Language/speech problem – screening
Dr Tony Charman <i>Institute of Child Health, London</i>	Checklist for Autism in Toddlers (CHAT) and other screening instruments
Professor Pat Howlin <i>Core member</i>	Screening Instruments for pre-school and school aged children
Dr Anthony Bailey <i>Institute of Psychiatry, London</i>	The Social Communication Questionnaire(SCQ): previously known as the Autism Screening Questionnaire (ASQ)
Dr Fiona Scott <i>Autism Research Unit, Cambridge</i>	The Childhood Asperger's Syndrome Test (CAST)
Invited Participants:	
Professor David Hall <i>President of the Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health</i>	
ASD Training for Professional Groups	
Dr Jamie Nicholls <i>Core member</i>	General Practitioners
Mrs Jenny Hugman <i>Core member</i>	Health Visitors
Ms Maureen Aarons and Ms Tessa Gittens <i>Core members</i>	Speech and Language Therapists
Dr Diane Smythe <i>Consultant Paediatrician, St Mary's Paddington</i>	Training in Disability for paediatricians
Dr Rita Jordan <i>Core member</i>	Teacher training; Teacher Training Agency and National SEN Specialist Standards
Professor Pat Howlin Dr Rita Jordan <i>Core members</i>	Clinical and Educational Psychologists
Professor Ann Le Couteur <i>Core member</i>	Child and Adolescent Psychiatrists
Dr Tom Berney <i>Core member</i>	Learning Disability Psychiatrists

Investigations

Investigations for Children Diagnosed with ASD - (5 July 2001)

<i>Speaker</i>	<i>Topic</i>
Dr Hilary Cass <i>Consultant Paediatrician, Great Ormond Street Hospital, London</i>	Evidence for investigations in Autistic Spectrum Disorders
Mr William Whitehouse <i>Birmingham</i>	Rise in incidence and prevalence of Autism: study from Birmingham
Dr Colin Ferrie Professor Richard Robinson	The EEG in Autism The Neurological basis of Autism
Dr Rosemary Waring <i>Department of Biochemistry University of Birmingham</i>	Biochemical abnormalities Sulphation and sulphotransferases and Autism
Dr Mike Champion <i>Dept of Paediatric Metabolic Medicine Guy's Hospital</i>	Other metabolic abnormalities
Mr Paul Shattock <i>University of Sunderland</i>	Biochemical Investigations of ASD
Dr Ann Green <i>Birmingham Children's Hospital</i>	Biochemical Investigations of ASD
Dr Neil Dalton <i>Kings College/Guy's Hospital, London</i>	Autism Organic Acid Test Evidence Base
Professor Emily Simonoff <i>GKT Medical School</i>	Genetic Investigations and Advice
Dr Simon Murch <i>Royal Free Hospital, School of Medicine London</i>	Gastrointestinal abnormalities in children with Autism
Dr Peter Sullivan <i>Consultant Gastroenterologist John Radcliffe Hospital, Oxford</i>	Bowel problems – the evidence for investigations

Invited Participants:

Dr Paul Gringras
*Consultant Paediatrician
Harper House, Radlett*

Assessment

Diagnosis and Assessment of ASD at 'District' level in the UK - (16 August 2001)

<i>Speaker</i>	<i>Topic</i>
Dr Gillian Baird <i>Core member</i>	Overview from NIASA Survey
Dr Tony O'Sullivan <i>Core member</i>	Community-Based Assessment, Diagnosis and Management of ASD
Dr Mary Lindsay <i>Consultant</i> <i>Child and Learning Disability Psychiatry</i> <i>Cornwall Healthcare Trust</i>	Overview of South West England practice in diagnosis
Dr Lorna Wing <i>Consultant Psychiatrist</i>	Diagnostic Interview for Social and Communication Disorders (DISCO)
Dr Judith Gould <i>Clinical Psychologist</i> <i>National Autistic Society</i> <i>Elliott House</i>	Diagnostic Interview for Social and Communication Disorders (DISCO)
Ms Jennifer Ravenhill <i>Principal Psychologist</i> <i>National Autistic Society</i>	PEP/Childhood Autism Rating Scale (CARS)/GARS <i>and other psychometric assessment tools</i>
Professor Ann Le Couteur <i>Core member</i>	The Autistic Diagnostic Interview – Revised (ADI-R) and ADI-R 2000
Professor Patricia Howlin <i>Core member</i>	Psychology tests pre-school & school age children
Ms Dido Green <i>Occupational Therapist</i> <i>Newcomen Centre</i> <i>Guy's Hospital</i>	Autistic Spectrum Disorders: The Occupational Therapist's Role in Assessment
Professor Patricia Howlin <i>Core member</i>	An overview of Speech and Language Assessment Procedures for children with ASD
Ms Annette English <i>Core member</i>	Assessments which inform needs
Dr Helen McConachie <i>Consultant Clinical Psychologist</i> <i>Fleming Nuffield Unit</i> <i>Newcastle upon Tyne</i>	District/Regional Links Autism Diagnostic Observation Schedule (ADOS)

Invited Participants:

Ms Elaine Cooper – Department of Health (Observer)
Mr Terry Mooney - representing ADSS
Dr Barbara Kugler – Harper House
Dr Chris Hardy – Consultant Community Paediatrician, Southampton

Interventions

Evaluation of Early Educational Intervention, Continuity of Education and Care provision - (12 October 2001)

<i>Speaker</i>	<i>Topic</i>
Dr Rita Jordan (Chair) <i>Core Member</i>	Issues in Provision and Evaluation
Ms Glenys Jones <i>Birmingham University</i>	The National Scene :NFER Study & DfES best practice
Mr Steve Flynn <i>Educational Psychologist, Northants</i>	LEA Provision: Early Provision in Northamptonshire
Ms Gina Davies <i>Head Teacher of the Little Group Nursery</i>	The Little Group
Ms Jane Harley <i>Pre-School Autism Support Leicester LEA</i>	Early Provision in Hertfordshire and Leicestershire
Professor Ann Le Couteur <i>Core Member</i>	Early Parent Group Intervention: More than Words (adapted Hanen training Programme for parents of pre-school children with suspected ASD)
Dr Rita Jordan <i>Core Member</i>	EarlyBird
Dr Oliver Mudford <i>Keele University</i>	ABA Project Results & Progress from UK
Mr Philip Christie <i>Early Years Diagnostic Centre Nottingham</i>	Interaction – The Early Years Centre
Dr Rita Jordan <i>Core member</i>	TEACCH – Keyhole and Sheahy Project
Professor Patricia Howlin <i>Core member</i>	Specific Interventions: Picture Exchange Communication System (PECs): Alice Project
Mrs Virginia Bovell Parents Autism Campaign for Education PACE and	Parental Choice
Dr Tony Charman <i>Institute of Child Health, London</i>	The Evidence Vacuum: NY State Department of Health review of Early Interventions in ASD

Development of NIASA Guidelines

‘Districts’ - (31 October 2001)

<i>Speaker</i>	<i>Topic</i>
Dr Philip Preece <i>Paediatrician, Chesterfield Royal Hospital North Derbyshire</i>	A mixed rural/urban district Audit of process of ASD service
Dr Charles Essex <i>Neurodevelopmental Paediatrician Child Development Unit Gulson Hospital, Coventry</i>	What is the place of National Guidelines?
Mrs Val Cumine <i>Senior Educational Psychologist Lancashire Educational Authority</i>	Assessment for practical intervention
Professor Ann Le Couteur <i>Core member</i>	Review of all contributions to diagnosis and assessment
Dr Gillian Baird <i>Core member</i>	Review of Screening and Investigations
Professor Patricia Howlin <i>Core member</i>	Review of Interventions
Dr Rita Jordan <i>Core member</i>	Focus on Education as an Entitlement
Mrs Helen Geldard <i>Core member</i>	Parents perspective on local service provision and needs

Preliminary Presentation (29 January 2002)

To invited audience

<i>Speaker</i>	<i>Topic</i>
Professor Ann Le Couteur and Ms Annette English <i>Core Members</i>	Introduction and Overview of NIASA
Dr Gillian Baird <i>Core Member</i>	Screening and Early Indicators
Dr Tony O'Sullivan and Professor Ann Le Couteur <i>Core Members</i>	Assessment and Diagnosis Stage 2 and Stage 3
Dr Gillian Baird <i>Core Member</i>	Investigations
Dr Rita Jordan and Professor Patricia Howlin <i>Core members</i>	Interventions
Dr Tom Berney <i>Core Member</i>	Medical Interventions
Mr Richard Mills Dr Gillian Baird Mrs Helen Geldard and Mrs Jenny Hugman <i>Core Members</i>	Implications for District Services
Ms Annette English Dr Jamie Nicholls Dr Tony O'Sullivan Ms Maureen Aarons and Ms Tessa Gittens <i>Core Members</i>	Training Implications: Panel Discussions
Mr Richard Mills, Professor Ann Le Couteur Dr Rita Jordan and Dr Gillian Baird <i>Core Members</i>	Regional and National Priorities Network New Initiatives Research Agenda