

KIDS TOGETHER: CREATING CONNECTIONS AND EMPOWERING INCLUSION IN THE EARLY YEARS

"THREE CHIMNEYS PUBLIC FORUM"

The Kids Together program is an innovative **trans-disciplinary** model of service delivery for early intervention that targets children aged 0-8 years with disabilities/additional needs. Using early childhood education centres as the starting point, Kids Together aims to deliver early education, therapy and family support services in a mainstream pre-school or day care centre setting as well as supporting parents and carers through home visiting. The integrated program was developed by Noah's Shoalhaven in 2013 in preparation for the move to packaged service delivery of disability services in NSW. The forum will provide the audience with an opportunity to learn about how the Kids Together program is currently being implemented and evaluated in early childhood centres across the Illawarra and to discuss future directions. More details available at esri.uow.edu.au/news/



PRESENTED BY:

Ginger O'Brien

CEO of Noah's Shoalhaven, an early intervention and family support organisation that supports children with additional needs, children with challenging behaviours and children from the Aboriginal community, their parents and carers. She was previously the treasurer of Early Childhood Intervention Australia (NSW) and currently sits on their advisory council.



Kathleen Clapham

Professor of Indigenous Health in the Australian Health Services Research Institute (AHSRI) at the University of Wollongong and Honorary Professorial Fellow at The George Institute for Global Health. Kathleen has conducted numerous program evaluations in addition to being chief Investigator on several NHMRC and ARC funded and other studies. Her research interests include Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health, child health and wellbeing, injury prevention and safety promotion.

WHEN:

November 20
4.30 for 5.00-6.00

WHERE:

Three Chimneys Bar &
Restaurant (lane behind IPAC
Theatre)

BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL, SPACES LIMITED. RSVP TO jacobe@uow.edu.au

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