



# Parent-Infant Mental Health Certificate Program

August 1-2, 2008  
12 CEs Available



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This program will delineate and teach cutting edge techniques for working with normal and troubled families and their young children, in areas including:

- Perinatal Development: Working with Offspring of Depressed Mothers
- Culture and Infancy: Multicultural Aspects of Pregnancy, Child Birth, and Infancy
- Clinical Case Studies in Infancy: Infants and their Families
- Mental Disorders of Infancy: History and Current Diagnostic Issues
- Neurodevelopmental Outcomes of High Risk Infants

The program will be conducted on Friday and Saturday, August 1–2, 2008, from 9:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m. each day. Our guest speaker will be Glen P. Aylward, PhD, ABPP, on Friday evening from 7:00–9:00 p.m. Two continuing education credits (CEs) are available for the evening presentation, and five CEs are available for each day's program. Participants may choose to register for Friday or Saturday, or for both days of the program. Drs. Stephen Ruffins and Tiffany Field will present on Friday, and Drs. Debra Bendell and Regina Yando will present on Saturday.

The program will be conducted in person in Kansas City, Missouri at:  
The Westin Crown Center  
1 East Pershing Road  
Kansas City, Missouri 64108  
Phone: 816.474.4400 or 888.627.8538

### Reservations

Fielding Graduate University's group rate at the Westin Crown Center is \$106 (single or double occupancy). The reservation deadline for the group rate is July 6, 2008.

Make an online reservation at [www.starwoodmeeting.com/StarGroupsWeb/booking/reservation?id=0705247023&key=532FF](http://www.starwoodmeeting.com/StarGroupsWeb/booking/reservation?id=0705247023&key=532FF) or call the hotel at (888) 627-8538. Please mention Fielding Graduate University to receive the group rate.

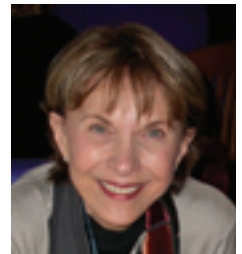
## Presenters

**Debra Bendell Estroff, PhD** is a clinical psychologist with a background in neonatal and high risk follow-up populations. She is coordinator of the Parent-Infant Mental Health concentration at Fielding Graduate University. In addition to teaching and research, she is a clinical professor in pediatrics at the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA.



Dr. Bendell will present on case studies in infancy. She will present two complex and interesting clinical case studies involving infants and their families. Aspects of maternal DSM-IV-TR diagnostic issues, infant developmental issues, attachment issues, and cultural issues will be explored in an interactive presentation.

**Regina M. Yando, PhD** has served as consultant to the Civil Rights Division of the United States Department of Justice on the research and treatment of developmental disabilities. She is an associate professor of psychology at Harvard Medical School, Boston, and the former chief of psychology at Judge Baker Children's Center/Boston Children's Hospital. Dr. Yando's area of specialization is developmental psychopathology.



Dr. Yando will present "Mental Disorders of Infancy: History and Current Diagnostic Issues." She will discuss DSM-IV-TR issues and medical diagnostic issues related to early identification of mental disorders in infancy. Co-morbid aspects of these disorders will be carefully explored in this presentation.

**Tiffany Field, PhD** has over 400 publications on high-risk infants, depressed mothers, and interaction coaching and alternative therapies to reduce these parent-infant problems.

She has summarized this research and the research of other colleagues in over 30 volumes including *High-Risk Infants, Stress and Coping, Touch, Touch Therapy, Infancy, and The Amazing Infant*. Dr. Field teaches at Fielding Graduate University.



Dr. Field will present on perinatal development. She will focus on aspects of perinatal psychological development with an emphasis on issues relating to working with the offspring of depressed mothers. The importance of these issues will be underscored by the presentation of current research in this arena.

**Stephen Ruffins, PhD**, a core faculty member in the doctoral program in clinical psychology at Fielding Graduate University, is a clinical and developmental psychologist who has a long career in developing programs for families and young children.



He served as director of the New York City Family Day Care Program serving 7,200 infants and after-school children in 2,100 family daycare homes throughout the city. He has provided consultation to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and Bank Street College. Over the last decade, Dr. Ruffins focused on studying the culture in the phenomenological experience of individuals within early parent-infant interaction and therapeutic dyads and within organizations responsible for families and children. Along with a Fielding doctoral student, he is working to understand how antecedent maternal factors, stress, and depression impact birth outcome in Bermuda. Trained at the University of Michigan and the Austen Riggs Center, Dr. Ruffins has published in the area of the assessment of object relations.

Dr. Ruffins will discuss culture and infancy. He will present material related to multicultural aspects of

pregnancy, child birth, and infancy. Cultural identity impacts on our sense of competency and of well being during these important life events. The profound influences of social location, social class, ethnicity, and family dynamics will be explored in this presentation.

**Guest Presenter Glen P. Aylward, PhD, ABPP**, is a professor of



pediatrics and psychiatry at Southern Illinois University School of Medicine in Springfield, Illinois. He is also chief, division of developmental and behavioral pediatrics/psychology. Dr. Aylward is boarded in clinical psychology and also clinical child and adolescent psychology, American Board of Professional Psychology; a fellow of the Academy of Clinical Psychology (FAClinP); a fellow of the American Psychological Association (Clinical; Child, Youth and Family Services; Pediatric Psychology; Clinical Child and Adolescent; and Independent Practice), and is listed in the National Register of Health Service Providers in psychology. Dr. Aylward has authored more than 100 papers, chapters, abstracts, and reviews, and is the author of the Bayley Infant Neurodevelopmental Screener, and the books, *Practitioner's Guide to Developmental and Psychological Testing, Infant and Early Childhood Neuropsychology, and Practitioner's Guide to Behavioral Problems in Children*. He is an associate editor for the *Journal of Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics*, is on the editorial board of four additional journals, and is an ad hoc reviewer for 18. Dr. Aylward has served on numerous committees and executive boards in the American Psychological Association, the Society for Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics, and the American Academy for Cerebral Palsy and Developmental Medicine (board of directors). He was president of the Society of Pediatric Psychology (Div. 54, APA) and is currently president of the Society of Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics. His research and clinical interests include neurodevelopmental assessment, developmental screening, prediction of outcome in high-risk infants, and the diagnosis and differentiation of

attention deficit disorders, executive dysfunction, and learning/memory disabilities.

Dr. Aylward will discuss neurodevelopmental outcomes of high risk infants. His seminar will include case presentations that delineate medical and psychological issues related to neurodevelopmental outcomes.

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