



Stakeholder Newsletter September 2012

Partnering for Change (P4C)

We are excited to provide you with an update on our progress! We continue to share the results of the P4C study at conferences and are continuing to increase awareness of developmental coordination disorder (DCD). We are committed to moving the P4C service delivery model forward and we have been invited to submit a proposal to the Ministry of Health for future funding. We have also received funding to develop two additional online educational module/workshops to increase knowledge of DCD for physicians and physiotherapists. We will continue to keep stakeholders informed of our progress.

Now Available – Online Education about DCD

We have an online workshop available on the *CanChild* website designed to increase knowledge about DCD and other motor coordination challenges and to increase confidence in supporting a child's development and participation. It was designed originally for parents, but is useful for others as well including teachers, health professionals, coaches, family members and friends. It is interactive in nature and takes approximately 60 minutes to go through, but can also be done in shorter segments. The workshop explains what DCD is and provides an overview of the causes of DCD, how DCD is diagnosed, typical motor development and of other health conditions that are related to DCD. Users can view video clips and complete an exercise that guides them to feel what it is like to have DCD.

http://canchild.ca/elearning/dcd_parent_workshop/index.html

Just Received – Funding to develop DCD workshops for Physicians and Physiotherapists

The Waterloo Foundation. \$31,500, 2012-2013. *Development of an on-line workshop to support physicians in identifying, diagnosing and managing Developmental Coordination Disorder*. Missiuna, C., Kirby, A. (Co PIs), McLean, J., Harms, S., Cairney, J., Gaines, R., & Pollock, N.

Physiotherapy Foundation of Canada. \$10,000, 2012-2013. *Development and evaluation of an online knowledge tool to support evidence-based physiotherapy management of children with developmental coordination disorder*. Rivard, L. (PI), Camden, C. (Co PI), Missiuna, C., & Pollock, N.

We are currently designing two additional DCD workshops, one for Physicians and another for Physiotherapists. These will be available on the *CanChild* website in spring 2013.

Spreading the Word – Recent Publications and Presentations about P4C

Published Articles

Campbell, W., Missiuna, C., Rivard, L., & Pollock, N. (2012). "Support for everyone": Experiences of occupational therapists delivering a new model of school-based service. *Canadian Journal of Occupational Therapy*, 79(1), 51-59.

Missiuna, C., Pollock, N., Campbell, W., Bennett, S., Hecimovich, C., Gaines, R., DeCola, C., Cairney, J., Russell, D., & Molinaro, E. (2012). Use of the Medical Research Council Framework to develop a complex intervention in pediatric occupational therapy: Assessing feasibility. *Research in Developmental Disabilities*, 33(5), 1443-1452.

Missiuna, C., Pollock, N., Levac, D., Campbell, W., Sahagian Whalen, S., Bennett, S., Hecimovich, C., Gaines, R., Cairney, J., & Russell, D. (2012). Partnering for Change: An innovative school-based occupational therapy service delivery model for children with developmental coordination disorder. *Canadian Journal of Occupational Therapy*, 79(1), 41-50.

If you would like a copy of a published article(s), please email our research assistant (Rhea Makund, makundrn@mcmaster.ca) indicating which article(s) you are interested in.

Presentations: Peer-Reviewed

Missiuna, C., Pollock, N., Hecimovich, C., Sahagian Whalen, S., Gaines, R., Russell, D., Rosenbaum, P., Bennett, S., Campbell, W., Levac, D., Rivard, L., DeCola, C. & Cairney, J. (accepted). *Partnering for Change: Transforming health services for children with developmental coordination disorder*. System innovation poster to be presented at the Canadian Association of Paediatric Health Centres (CAPHC) Annual Conference, Vancouver, BC, October, 2012

Missiuna, C., Pollock, N., Hecimovich, C., Sahagian Whalen, S., Gaines, R., Russell, D., Rosenbaum, P., Bennett, S., Campbell, W., Levac, D., Rivard, L., DeCola, C. & Cairney, J. (accepted). *Partnering for Change: Transforming health services for children with developmental coordination disorder*. Demonstration poster to be presented at the American Academy for Cerebral Palsy and Developmental Medicine (AACPD), Toronto, ON, September, 2012.

Missiuna, C., Pollock, N., Bennett, S., Campbell, W., & Hecimovich, C. (2012, June). *Partnering for Change: An innovative service delivery model for building educator and family capacity to help struggling students succeed*. Paper presented at the 3rd National Symposium on Child and Youth Mental Health, Calgary, AB.

Missiuna, C., Pollock, N., & Cairney, J. (2012, June). *What may be happening to those "fine motor kids"?* Paper presented at the Canadian Association of Occupational Therapists Annual Conference, Quebec City, QC.

McKechnie, A., Embrey, T., Pollock, N., & Missiuna, C. (2012, June). *Empowering parents through education: An online workshop on developmental coordination disorder*. Paper presented at the Canadian Association of Occupational Therapists Annual Conference, Québec City, QC.

Missiuna, C., Polatajko, H., & Pollock, N. (2012, June). *Evolving toward more strategic management of children with DCD*. Extended Discussion at the Canadian Association of Occupational Therapists Annual Conference, Québec City, QC.

Rivard, L., & Levac, D. (2012, May). *Developmental Coordination Disorder (DCD): Using knowledge translation as a physiotherapy management strategy*. Educational workshop presented at the Canadian Physiotherapy Association Congress "Expanding Horizons", Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.

Missiuna, C., Pollock, N., Bennett, S., Gataveckas, H., & Molinaro, E. (2011, December). *Partnering for Change: An innovative service delivery model for building educator and family capacity to help struggling students succeed*. Workshop presented at the Ontario Council for Exceptional Children Annual Special Education Conference, Toronto, ON.

Missiuna, C., Hecimovich, C., Pollock, N., Sahagian-Whalen, S., Gaines, R., & Rivard, L. (2011, November). *Partnering for Change: Building capacity through coaching in school contexts*. Workshop presented at the Ontario Association of Children's Rehabilitation Services Annual Conference, Toronto, ON.

Gaines, R., McLean, J., DeLaat, D., & Missiuna, C. (2011, June). *Developmental Coordination Disorder: Why every paediatrician's office needs a tennis ball*. Workshop presented at the Canadian Paediatric Society Annual Conference, Quebec City, Quebec.

Missiuna, C., Pollock, N., Sahagian-Whalen, S., Bennett, S., & Levac, D. (2011, June). *Partnering for Change: Building capacity through coaching in school contexts*. Paper presented at the Canadian Association of Occupational Therapists' Annual Conference, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.

Campbell, W., Missiuna, C., Pollock, N., & Gaines, R. (2011, April). *Partnering for Change: An innovative service delivery model for implementing response to intervention*. Poster presented at the annual conference of the Canadian Association of Speech-Language Pathologists and Audiologists, Montreal, Quebec.

Pollock, N., & Missiuna, C. *Partnering for Change: Collaborative consultation and coaching in context*. (2010, September). Paper presented at the Ontario Society of Occupational Therapists' Annual Conference, Mississauga, ON.

Parent Advocacy/Support Group

We facilitated the formation of a local parent advocacy/support group for parents of children with DCD. The group has had one meeting and plan to meet 3-4 times a year and stay connected through email. If you or someone you know is interested in joining this group, email decolac@mcmaster.ca.

Please do not hesitate to contact Cindy DeCola, Project Coordinator, at decolac@mcmaster.ca or at (905) 525-9140 ext. 26074 for further information or with any comments or questions.

Thank you again for your continued interest and support!



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