

Newsletter, November 2017

Lifetime Neuroscience and Cognition Lab (LiNC Lab) Seeks Participants

[The LiNC Lab](#) is seeking volunteers aged 6-10 years old for a study of how reading may affect cognition in children. Participants will have their memory and attention evaluated while reading books, and will get to keep the book they read! Interested parents should contact the lab at linc@utdallas.edu to volunteer for the study, or to find out more information.



Infant Learning Project Seeks Participants

The [Infant Learning Project](#) research laboratory is seeking participants for an upcoming study. Infants will listen to samples of women talking to babies in a foreign language to examine whether they recognize approving and comforting speech in a non-native language. Please contact the lab at infantlearningproject@utdallas.edu if you are interested in participating or would like more information.



Community Screening Fair Benefits Children

Last month, the Center for Children and Families' [Crece Conmigo \(Grow With Me\) program](#) hosted a Screening Fair to provide developmental, hearing, language, vision, and autism screenings to children from the [Casa Del Lago](#) organization. Professionals from the Callier Center for Communication Disorders, Center for Children and Families, and Walmart Vision screening team participated in screening 45 children. The event was sponsored by [Interceramic, Inc.](#)



Annual Fall Forum Highlights

Thanks to all who attended the 8th annual forum on "Biobehavioral Effects of Early Adversity: Implications for Prevention and Intervention," featuring Dr. Seth Pollak. Over 75 different agencies were represented at the event. Links to materials from the event are located here:

- [Dr. Seth Pollak's lab website](#)
- [Morning panel handouts](#)
- [HDCD Master's program video](#)



2018 Spring Lecture Series: "Building Bridges from Adversity to Resilience"

Save the date for our [10th Annual Spring Lecture Series](#)! Talks will be held on Friday mornings, from 9:30am - 10:30am in the Davidson Auditorium (JSOM 1.118) at The University of Texas at Dallas. The lectures are free and open to the public!

February 16, 2018

March 23, 2018

[*March 28, 2018](#)

April 13, 2018

[*April 18, 2018](#)

*Special Wednesday evening lectures hosted by the Center for Values in Medicine, Science, and Technology at UT Dallas.

Giving Tuesday

Black Friday. Cyber Monday.

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November 28, 2017

Help us continue to support healthy parenting practices, happy families, and healthy children! Donate to the Center for Children and Families on Giving Tuesday, November 28th, [by signing up to volunteer, donating toys, or giving money](#) in support of our outreach programs.

From the Director

The past few weeks have been very busy for the Center with our Annual Forum, Screening Fair and Research & Resource Fair held in early November. I'm grateful to the many staff and volunteers who made these events happen and to the many children, parents, and practitioners who participated. As we approach the holiday season, I hope we all can find time to reflect on our personal and professional experiences and that we will move forward together, reinvigorated to support children and parents in their optimal growth and development.



- Margaret T. Owen, PhD, Robinson Family Professor, Director, Center for Children and Families

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