



ROUNDTABLE

Institute for Research on Public Policy (IRPP)
Human Early Learning Partnership (HELP)



EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT AND CHILD CARE: WHAT DO WE KNOW?

JOSEPH & ROSALIE SEGAL CENTRE AT SFU HARBOUR CENTRE, VANCOUVER
(515 WEST HASTINGS STREET)

Monday March 27, 2006

Program

The roundtable will examine the latest research on early childhood development and child care and attempt to sort out its policy implications. Among other topics, speakers will address the quality of care, the policy lessons to be learned from Quebec and elsewhere, the current either/or debate about funding supply or demand and the place of child care in Canada's broader benefits package for families.

Rooms 1400 - 1430

8:30 - 9:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast Buffet

9:00 - 9:10 a.m. Opening remarks

Hugh Segal (President, Institute for Research on Public Policy)

9:10 - 10:10 a.m.: **Session I: Recent Empirical Research on Child Care in Canada**

Chair: Sarah Fortin (Institute for Research on Public Policy)

Christa Japel (Université du Québec à Montréal)

Hillel Goelman (Human Early Learning Partnership)

Kevin Milligan (University of British Columbia)

Commentator: Beverley Smith (Editor, Recent Research on Caregiving)

10:10 - 10:40 a.m.: Question period

10:40 - 11:00 a.m.: Coffee Break

11:00 - 12:00 a.m.: **Session II: How Can the Latest Research Contribute to Child Care Policy?**

Chair: Hugh Segal (Institute for Research on Public Policy)

Paul Kershaw (Human Early Learning Partnership)

Martha Friendly (University of Toronto)

Lynell Anderson (Human Early Learning Partnership Research Affiliate)

Commentator: John Richards (Public Policy Program, Simon Fraser University)

12:00 - 12:30 p.m.: Question period

12:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Lunch - Buffet