

# Communities Collaborative Conference

## Brain Development

### “Coming Together to Help Children Succeed”

August 12th & 13th, 2009  
Shooting Star Casino Hotel & Event Center  
Mahnomen, MN



**August 11<sup>th</sup> - afternoon pre-conference session** Cindy Goldade a licensed instructor with a M.A. in Education and a Bachelors in Pre-K through 6 will facilitate this physical movements workshop that will enhance learning and performance in ALL areas. **Brain Gym** develops the brain's neural pathways the way nature does – through movement.



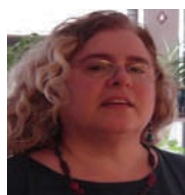
**Rachel Simmons** lives in New York and is a graduate of Vassar College, she is the author of the New York Times bestseller Odd Girl Out: The Hidden Culture of Aggression in Girls. Ms. Simmons is a pioneer in the exploration of schoolgirl cruelty, her keynote and breakout session will discuss issues of girls aggression.



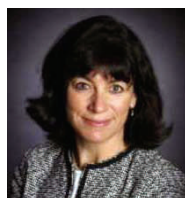
**David Walsh, Ph.D.** of Minneapolis is a faculty member at the University of Minnesota and a frequent guest on CBS Early Show, Dateline and 20/20. Dr. Walsh will present a keynote on his new book “Saying No, Why kids Need to Hear It and Ways Parents Can Say It”. His breakout session will include information on bullying and media violence.



**Dr. Ann Bullock**, North Carolina, is a member of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe and is currently working as the Medical Director for the Health and Medical Division of the Eastern Band of the Cherokee Nation. She is noted for her research on historical trauma and its effects on the native population. Dr. Bullock will present a keynote titled “The Effects of Stress, Trauma and Early Adverse Childhood Experiences leading to Diabetes and other Chronic Diseases”.



**Ms. Lesley Koplou**, New York, M.S., C.S.W. is a psychotherapist, the Director of the Center for Emotionally Responsive Practice at Bank Street College of Education, and the author of numerous books on child mental health. Ms. Koplou will present a keynote on Creating Schools That Heal, Pre-School through 12th Grade.



**Dr. Terrie Rose**, Minneapolis is a psychologist specializing in parent-child attachment, child abuse prevention, and community-based approaches to strengthening families. She will present a session on “Parental/Caregiver Depression and its Effects on Children (including Post Partum Depression)”.



**Douglas Wood**, St. Cloud Minnesota, is an author, artist, musician, naturalist and wilderness guide. His books include The Old Turtle, The Secret of Saying Thanks, and Nothing To Do. He received the Parents Choice award among many honors. Doug will present sessions on the importance of unscheduled time for kids and the elementary teacher who taught him to love reading.

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