



Dr. Bruce Perry
“Born for Love –
Bringing relational richness
back into the lives of children”
Tuesday, April 5th, 2016
7:00 p.m.
Port Hardy Civic Centre

Dr. Perry will present an overview of brain development and its remarkable malleability during early childhood. He will explain how the experiences of early childhood shape the developing brain by providing a range of social, emotional, motor, and cognitive experiences that impact the number and density of neural networks in the young brain. His presentation will discuss the vital importance of supporting and fostering brain development from infancy throughout early childhood by supporting the carers. The importance of designing care-giving strategies and support programs for new parents cannot be underestimated. Dr. Perry’s address will focus on the importance of positive human relationships as well as providing consistent, nurturing, structured, and enriching environments for children.

Dr. Bruce Perry, M.D., Ph. D

Dr. Perry is the Senior Fellow of The Child Trauma Academy, a not-for-profit organization based in Houston, TX and adjunct Professor in the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioural Sciences at the Feinberg School of Medicine at Northwestern University in Chicago. Dr. Perry is the author, with Maia Szalavitz, of “The Boy Who Was Raised As A Dog” a bestselling book based on his work with maltreated children and “Born for Love: Why Empathy is Essential and Endangered”. Over the last thirty years, Dr. Perry has been an active teacher, clinician and researcher in children’s mental health and the neurosciences.

This event is free of charge and open to teachers, special education workers, administrators, social workers, foster parents, counsellors, support workers, daycare workers, nurses and parents.

This event is sponsored by the Child and Youth Mental Health and Substance Use Collaborative, Mount Waddington Local Action Team.

In lieu of paying a registration fee, participants will be asked to fill out a questionnaire pre and post the event. The LAT invites all participants not yet familiar with his work to view Dr. Perry’s videos on YouTube, to read articles from <http://childtrauma.org/cta-library/> or to read his books.

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