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[Closing date for registration is Thursday November 12 2009]

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## Brothers and Sisters: Their role in the life of a person with a disability

*This workshop will be of interest to:*

Families, Siblings, Persons with disability, Support Staff, and Policy Planners among others.

**Keynote speakers:**

**John Kramer, Ph.D.**

The Sibling Leadership Network  
Institute for Community Inclusion  
University of Massachusetts, Boston.

**Assoc. Prof. Monica Cuskelly**

Graduate School of Education, University of  
Queensland

**Dr Michelle Donnelly & Dr Anne Hillman**

Faculty of Health Sciences, University of Sydney

**Angela Dew PhD candidate**

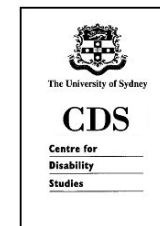
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**Elisabeth Ellis – sister of Mathew Ellis**

**Ruth, Sarah and Victoria Atkinson**

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## Brothers and Sisters: Their role in the life of a person with a disability

**Keynote Speakers**

**Dr John Kramer**

**Assoc. Prof. Monica Cuskelly**

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> November, 2009**

**9.30 am – 4.30 pm**

**Charles Blunt Conference Room  
Royal Rehabilitation Centre Sydney  
59 Charles Street, Ryde, 2112**

**[Closing date for registration  
Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2009]**

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**Dr Michelle Donelly** is a lecturer in the School of Occupation and Leisure Sciences and teaches on the undergraduate and graduate programs in occupational therapy and the undergraduate program in leisure and health. She has been involved in a number of research projects in order to understand and describe the first hand experiences of people engaged in various aspects of occupational performance.

**Dr Anne Hillman** held a number of clinical positions in adult and aged acute care and rehabilitation, before joining the University in 1990. She has published and presented at conferences internationally and nationally, primarily in the area of occupational role performance in later life. Anne's contribution to teaching is wide-ranging and includes occupational role development in middle and late adulthood, and person-environment interactions. She has been a contributor to post-graduate units in gerontology. Her research interests relate to role, community living and perceived control in the presence of disability. She is a contributor to the ongoing development of the Occupational Performance Model (Australia) and is currently a Senior Research Fellow working on a three year ARC funded study.

**Angela Dew** has worked in the field of disability for the past 27 years in the government and non-government sectors in direct service provision, management, teaching and research. Angela's particular area of interest is the relationship between family members where one has a life long disability. Her PhD research is examining the transition of care from ageing parents to siblings for people with cerebral palsy who are 40 years and over. Angela's other areas of research interest have included: the de-institutionalisation of people with disabilities and their subsequent integration and participation in their local communities; the ageing of people with disabilities, particularly women.

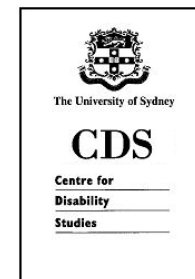
**Libby Ellis** is the sister of Matthew Ellis, a 39 year old man with intellectual disability and autism. Moving from a group home into his own home and starting his own small business are just two ground-breaking changes he has made in his life over the last decade or so. Libby has over 15 years experience in the community sector, almost entirely with people with disability and their families and largely supporting ordinary people to create change. Her most recent role was working with young Jewish people with disability to get great things happening in their lives. Libby has run workshops, spoken locally and internationally and written about issues like person-centredness, family advocacy and family governance, sibling advocacy, valued roles and inclusion and the process of change. Libby has a BA with First Class Honours in Human Geography



**Dr John Kramer** co-founded and is a leader of the Sibling Leadership Network (SLN) in the United States, a growing movement of brothers and sisters of people with disabilities, siblings with disabilities, and committed professionals interested in policy, services, and research related to siblings. Currently he is serving as steering committee co-chair and leads the policy and advocacy arm of the SLN. John also co-founded Supporting Illinois Brothers and Sisters, a state-wide advocacy group for siblings in Illinois. John is currently working with the research team at the Institute for Community Inclusion at the University of Massachusetts at Boston on systems change and employment issues for people with disabilities. John Kramer received his Ph.D. in Disability Studies from the University of Illinois at Chicago, with his dissertation addressing the mutual support roles in aging families of people with disabilities and issues of future planning for people with Intellectual Disabilities and their brothers and sisters.



**Assoc. Prof. Monica Cuskelly** Prior to joining the Graduate School of Education her working experience had been primarily in the field of educational psychology with some forays into clinical areas. Her major research interests are family functioning in families with a child with a disability, the development of persons with Down syndrome, self-regulation and mastery and academic motivations.



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