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## International Society of Research and Advocacy for Developmental Coordination Disorder (ISRA-DCD)



### Message from the Chair

Dear ISRA-DCD Community,

For many of us around the world, March is the arrival of Spring and many special days and celebrations, including International Women's Day, Ramadan, St. Patrick's Day, Persian New Year, and Easter. Most relevant to us as a collective society is that March symbolizes "transformation and new growth". This is what we are hoping for ISRA-DCD – transforming the field of DCD with our research and advocacy efforts and growing our society. Please spread the word through your networks to join our mission. Together, we can make a difference.

Jill



### International organisations supporting DCD



Following our last newsletter in February, we wanted to remind that we are hoping to gather information about organisations in your networks with an interest in DCD. We want to share these international organisations on the website. Please take 5-10 minutes to complete the survey:

[https://ubc.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_70jpxLFcu0m4SMu](https://ubc.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_70jpxLFcu0m4SMu)



Early bird registration for the DCD-15 conference is open until the 29th March. Don't forget that membership discounts apply to people who are members of ISRA-DCD.

For more information visit the conference website - <https://www.dcd15-imdrc6.org/>



Please click [here](#) for the recording of our first ISRA-DCD webinar, that took place on Thursday 29th February, hosted by Professor Jill Zwicker. The title was 'Co-developing a vision for ISRA-DCD'. Thanks to everyone who attended.



### ISRA-DCD Membership for Persons with Lived Experience - A Unique Opportunity

The mandate of ISRA-DCD to support research and advocacy can only be achieved by building and cultivating strong partnerships between researchers, clinicians and persons with lived experience – family members, individuals living with DCD and other community members impacted by DCD. Input from those directly affected by DCD is the best way to focus activities of the society to maximise impact. During this early stage of development of the society, we are keen to build a community of persons with lived experience who can provide a rich representation of the experience of living with DCD and share perspectives on where and how to focus our efforts. Please encourage anyone with experience with DCD to consider joining ISRA-DCD as a community member to add their voice to this important work. The cost of membership is small but opportunity for impact is great.

For more information, please contact [isra.dcd@gmail.com](mailto:isra.dcd@gmail.com)

Share your suggestions by clicking on the link for the [virtual suggestions box](#)



Stay tuned for more updates! In the meantime, we welcome feedback and support to launch our activities ASAP!

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