



The Marcé Society is pleased to announce the following newly elected individuals!



Jane Fisher- President-Elect:

Jane Fisher has been active in the Marcé Society for many years including holding the position of Secretary of the International Marcé Society (2000-2008). She has done wonderful work investigating the perinatal mental health of women in resource-constrained low and lower-middle income countries, and is considering holding our 2018 Conference in India. Jane is a prolific researcher and Professor of Women's Health and Director of the Jean Hailes Research Unit at

Monash University , Australia.



Megan Galbally- Ordinary/Board Member:

Megan Galbally, was a longstanding Committee member and the President of the Australasian Branch of the Marcé Society (2011-3) . She is Head of Unit of Perinatal Mental Health at Mercy Hospital for Women and an Associate Professor in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, University of Melbourne , Australia. She combines her significant psychiatric clinical expertise with leading research in the developmental outcomes of children exposed to

psychotropic medication in utero.



Lisa Segre- Ordinary/Board Member:

Lisa Segre brings an enthusiastic commitment to the Marcé Society, having already supported the Biennial conference in Paris and was a valued member of the Scientific Committee. Lisa Segre is both a researcher and a public health advocate, and has worked closely with Mike O'Hara. She has completed three clinical trials evaluating Listening Visits in U.S. home visiting programs as well as an intervention delivered by nurses to mothers with newborns hospitalized on the neonatal intensive care unit. She is now

rolling out these programs.



Help us to promote the 2014 International Marcé Society Meeting by adding these slides to any presentations you may give. [Click here to access these slides.](#)

Also, please consider adding the following verbiage to your email signature: "Save the Date for the International Marcé Society Biennial Scientific Meeting 10-13 September 2014, Swansea University, Wales, UK"

Everyone's Business Campaign in the UK

The Maternal Mental Health Alliance launches its [#everyonesbusiness](#) campaign - Tuesday 8th July. Pregnant women and new mothers in almost half of the UK do not have access to specialist mental health services, potentially leaving them and their babies at risk. Maps highlighting the gaps in provision are published on www.everyonesbusiness.org.uk

The Marcé Society is delighted to support the [#everyonesbusiness](#) campaign which aims to improve

Thank you to all of the nominees, and all of those who nominated these individuals. We had the best voter turn-out yet and a very close race thanks to so many great candidates!

Our current [Officers](#) (see hyperlink) and Board warmly welcome our newly elected positions and look forward to working with them in the years to come! (see who is representing you, listed below)

President- Jane Hanley

President-Elect- Jeannette Milgrom

Immediate Past President- Nine Glangeaud

Co-Secretary- Jane Honikman

Co-Secretary- Anne-Laure Sutter

Treasurer- Vivette Glover

Ordinary Board Members- Angela Bowen, Linda Chaudron, Martin Kammerer & Nirmaljit Dhani

Information Editor- Katherine Wisner

Ex-Officio Members- Michael O'Hara (USA), Katherine Wisner (USA)

Media Director- Walker Karraa (she has been nominated by the Officers to be co-opted for a new position of "Media Director" within the Board and we thank her for her already great efforts to promote the Society and the next Conference on Facebook, Twitter and other forms of media)

Administrative Secretary- Elizabeth Wasternack is our current secretariat and has efficiently held this key position ensuring the smooth organization of our society. Representatives of Regional Groups will be nominated by their Regional Group Board.

The upcoming conference will see our current President, Jane Hanley, move to the role of Immediate Past President which will hold a more strategic position. In September 2014 we welcome our new President, Jeannette Milgrom, who will host our 2016 International Conference in Melbourne Australia and we look forward to the new energy she will undoubtedly bring to the team.

We welcome input from our membership and look forward to representing your needs.

See you all very soon in Swansea this September!



The Early Bird registration deadline has passed, but there is still time to register for the Marcé Society Biennial Meeting in Swansea, Wales, 10-12!

The themes of the conference will include:

Perinatal Mental Health
Global Advances in Treatment
Neuroscience and Epigenetics
Mother /Infant Interactions
Fathers

the lives of all women throughout the UK who experience perinatal mental health problems, and will provide the key information and tools to support commissioners and service providers to make the necessary improvements.



Did you know that the Marcé Society has a [Facebook](#) page with over 650 followers? We also have an active [Twitter](#) feed with over 250 followers. International organizations, researchers, policy makers, students, colleagues, and early career professionals in many disciplines have become aware of the Society through social media, and would like to invite our members to join our online presence.

Both Facebook and Twitter are free to join, using only your current email address. These are wonderful ways to increase awareness about the Society and perinatal mental health research and events and to stay connected to regional societies. Also, to get the most up-to-date information about the Marcé Society, the upcoming Biennial Conference and the Members.

- If you don't already have a Facebook account, visit: [How to join Facebook](#) for more information.
- If you don't have a Twitter account, you can click here: [How to join Twitter](#)



If you have a Facebook account, click this icon to visit our Facebook page. Remember to "like" our page in order to get the most current information straight

The Plenary Sessions will include:

Dr. Steve Suomi – *Neuroscience*

Prof. Lynne Murray – *Children of Mothers with PND*

Prof. Jane Barlow – *Infant Attachment*

Prof. Graham Thornicroft – *Stigma and Evidence*

Prof. Vikram Patel Channi Kumar Lecture – *Perinatal Mental Illness in India*

Jennie Musckett Composer- *Importance of Music*

Alain Gregoire – *Maternal Mental Health Alliance*

Chris Cuthbert - *NSPCC*

Prof. Marie-Paule Austin – *Screening*

Dr. Hamish MacAllister – *Psychopharmacology*

Prof. John Cox- *Depression and Spirituality*

The Marcé Medal Lecture: The Marcé Medal is a prestigious award, presented biennially to acknowledge excellence in perinatal research. The recipient of the 2014 Marce Medal is Prof. Louise Howard. [Please click here to read a short biography about Prof. Louise Howard.](#)

The title of Louise's talk is:

'What is Evidence Based Perinatal Mental Health Care and is it Achievable? A Personal Perspective'

Don't wait, register today!

REGISTER NOW

PLAN TO ATTEND!

Please plan to attend a General Assembly and Extraordinary General Assembly at the Marcé Society Biennial Scientific Meeting. The meetings will take place on **Friday, 12 September at 1pm in the Taliesin Theatre**. At the Extraordinary General Assembly we will have any necessary discussion about the recently proposed Constitution updates and finalize the vote for the revised Constitution.

Regional Group Updates

Nordic Regional Group

General Assembly for the new Nordic Marcé group:

All Nordic members of the Marcé Society are invited to this first general meeting of the Nordic Marcé, a new branch of the International Marcé Society.

The meeting will be held at the International Congress of the Marcé Society, Swansea Wednesday 10, September, from 17.00 to 19.00 hrs.

There will be elections of the President and Board Members, and discussion and approval of the new constitution. We encourage all members from the Nordic countries (Norway, Sweden, Denmark including the Faroe Islands, Finland, Iceland) to attend this historical event!

Members who cannot attend the meeting will receive a mail with the opportunities to vote in advance.

on your news feed. You can also invite your friends and colleagues to join our page as well.



If you have a Twitter account, click this icon to be taken to our Twitter feed and make

sure to follow us to receive regular updates on the Marcé Society.

Please join the conversation and get the most up-to-date information about the Marcé Society and the upcoming Biennial Conference.

Thanks!

The Marcé Society



Marcé Society contributions at the World Association on Infant Mental Health at 14th WAIMH World Congress, Edinburgh (UK) June 2014

[Please click here to see the abstract about the Marcé Society Symposium: Position Statement on Psychosocial Assessment and Depression Screening in Perinatal Women](#)

[Please click here to see the abstract from the Joint ISPOG, Marcé and WAIMH Symposium: Bridging the Gap between Prenatal and Infant Mental Health Practices](#)



Canada (Emerging Regional Group)

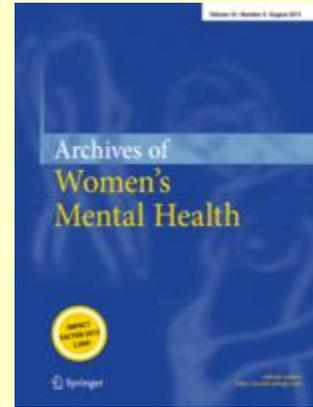
Tania Bird, Elita Paterson, Carla O'Reilly (authors of *The Smiling Mask*), and *Today's Grandmother*, Marce Member, Angela Bowen, met with the Minister of Health, Honourable Dustin Duncan, on June 12, 2014 in Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada. The main points were:

A: MATERNAL

MENTAL HEALTH CONFERENCE-follow up on our Fall 2009 Conference
 B. ONGOING COMMITMENT TO THE 4 MOTHERFIRST RECOMMENDATIONS, MOST URGENTLY:

1. Sustainability of resource and awareness materials
2. Universal Screening-in pregnancy and postpartum
3. Treatments
4. Provincial and Regional Maternal Mental Health Committees

7 May, 2014 is proclaimed 'Maternal Mental Health Day' in Saskatchewan, Canada. This is during Mental Health Week and before Mother's Day in Canada. Think of doing something same in your region, it just takes a letter to your Minister of Health. Our group will be notifying the press and local presentations. Awareness makes a difference. [Please find proclamation certificate here.](#)



AWMH Journal-

Please pay special attention to the four articles listed below who feature contributions by Marcé Members (names in bold):

"A cross-sectional study of antenatal depression and associated factors in Malawi"

Robert C. Stewart, Eric Umar, Barbara Tomenson, Francis Creed

"The DSM-5 peripartum specifier: prospects and pitfalls"

Verinder Sharma, Dwight Mazmanian

[Click here for the link to the April Issue of AWMH.](#)

"Returning to tricyclic antidepressants for depression during childbearing: clinical and dosing challenges"

Lauren M. Osborne, Catherine A. Birndorf, Lauren E. Szkodny, **Katherine L. Wisner**

"Anxiety in early pregnancy: prevalence and contributing factors"

C. Rubertsson, J. Hellström, M. Cross, **G. Sydsjö**

[Click here for the link to the June issue of AWMH.](#)

Marcé Regional Group Calls

My Dear Fellow Marcé Member, You may or may not be aware of a group of brave and selfless individuals who meet at odd hours of the day and night in order to represent your membership from a regional point of view. The International Marcé Society Regional Group Representatives most recent meeting was held by teleconference in April. The meeting was hosted by Elizabeth Wasternack in Tennessee, USA and we were joined by Jane Hanley in the UK, Oguz Omay and Nine Glangeaud from France, Goksen Yuksel and Nazan Aydin from Turkey, Signa Dørheim from Norway, and myself, Deborah Sims, enjoying a wonderful vacation in beautiful Port Douglas, Australia. (I have included a photograph so that you can appreciate the view - although I did not look quite so



Deborah Sims enjoying her vacation in Port Douglas, Australia

glamorous at 5 am!

We discussed the forthcoming International Marcé Society Conference in Swansea, Wales. The Archives of Women's Mental Health has agreed to include all of the conference abstracts in their publication. Oguz tempted us with two offerings for the Wednesday, 12 September evening entertainment: a short movie reflecting on the lived experience of postpartum psychosis, which has been produced by women who have been affected. The movie 'The Stranger In Me' will also be screened that night and after the screening the audience will be able to participate in a moderated discussion. The Gala dinner on Thursday 13th September and will be a formal affair (black tie / cocktail dress) including a performance by a local choir. Friday 14th September will include the closing ceremony and the option of two night tours to Rhossilli Bay and Carreg Cennen Castle. Accommodation will be available at the Marriott Hotel, the five-star Morgan's Hotel and the Dragon Hotel, all of which are a short walk from the conference. Also, the University is offering bed and breakfast on campus for very reasonable rates. To join in the local flavour bike hire can be organised, and beautiful walking tracks will be highlighted, including the famous Dylan Thomas walk. Details are available on the [conference website](#). Please encourage your members to include articles regarding this conference in any local journals or newsletters. Also, please include the conference website details on the bottom of any emails.

[Please click here to read the full article.](#)

The New York Times

New York Times Articles:

Our Information Editor, Katherine Wisner, was quoted in two very interesting *New York Times* articles. Please see links below and take a moment to read these important articles.

["Looking After New Mothers"](#)

["Thinking of Ways to Harm Her"](#)

[New Findings on Timing and Range of Maternal Mental Illness](#)

Three papers carried this debate in the *Journal of Psychosomatic Research*. These viewpoints are important for Marcé members to be aware of – the multiple issues involved in weighing policy!

- Note- You will need to subscribe to the *Journal of Psychosomatic Research* to read these articles in full.

["Depression screening and patient outcomes in pregnancy or postpartum: A systematic review"](#)

["Perinatal depression screening: Let's not throw the baby out with the bath water!"](#)

["Depression screening in pregnancy and postpartum: Who needs evidence? "](#)



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