

Participants to the October 28 symposium included:

For the Government of Nova Scotia

- **Frances Martin**, Associate Deputy Minister, Department of Health
- **Duff Montgomerie**, Deputy Minister, Department of Health Promotion and Protection.
- **Heather Christian**, Director Healthy Development, Department of Health Promotion and Protection.
- **Tracey Barbrick**, Director Policy, Department of Health Promotion and Protection.
- **Rosalind Penfound**, Deputy Minister, Department of Education.
- **Shannon Delbridge**, Executive Director Corporate Policy, Department of Education.
- **Dr. Rick Williams**, Deputy Minister. Office of Policy & Priorities
- **Bobbie Boudreau**, - Senior Corporate Policy Analyst, Office of Policy & Priorities.
- **Jim Houston**, Senior Corporate Policy Analyst, Office of Policy & Priorities.
- **Judith Ferguson**, Deputy Minister, Department of Community Services
- **George Savoury**, Executive Director, Family & Community Supports, Department of Community Services.
- **Carolyn Johnson**, Executive Director, Policy & Information Management Department of Community Services.

**Invited experts:**

- **Kathleen Flanagan**, Flanagan Associates, and author of “A Vision for Island Children,” The report, commissioned by the government, to shape early childhood program reform in Prince Edward Island.
- **Dr. Christa Japel**, professor in Education at the Université du Québec à Montréal.
- **Joan Kingston**, formerly with the Office of Premier, Government of New Brunswick.
- **Joan Kunderman**, Chair of the Manitoba Child Care Education Program Approval Committee.
- **Sherri Mohoruk**, Superintendent of Liaison, in the office of the Deputy Minister of Education, Ministry of Education of British Columbia.
- **Pamela Musson**, Director of Implementation, Early Learning Division, Ontario Ministry of Education.
- **Dr. Stuart Shanker**, York University.
- **Petr Varmuza**, former Director of Operations, City of Toronto Children’s Services Division.
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**For the Margaret and Wallace McCain Family Foundation:**

- Jane Bertrand, MWMFF, Program Director
- Kerry McCuaig, MWMFF, Research and Communications