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MEDIA ALERT

**THE IMPACT OF DIGITAL MEDIA ON CHILDREN'S HEALTH
International Research Conference Draws Multidisciplinary Body of Experts to Cold
Spring Harbor Laboratory**

Almost half of all teens are consistently online. Children as young as babies are constantly entertained by tablets, phones, and other digital devices. What will be the long-term impact of sustained screen time on children's mental and physical health and how will it be effectively measured? How do we expand knowledge and hone research methodologies to improve understanding of risk and benefits?

Renowned experts from the National Institutes of Health and leading academic and research Institutions, nationally and abroad, will present at the Second Congress on *Digital Media and Developing Minds*. The conference, co-sponsored by Children and Screens: Institute of Digital Media and Child Development and Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory, will be held on **Oct. 15-18, 2018** at Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory.

Fake news, internet addiction, cognition, privacy, cyberbullying, digital media and relationships, the links between social media, violence, depression and suicide, and technology in schools will be among the topics addressed by leading neuroscientists, clinicians, social and data scientists, psychologists and educators as well as members of the media.

Children and Screens: Institute of Digital Media and Child Development is a nonprofit organization devoted to maximizing children's health benefits and minimizing risks from digital media through interdisciplinary dialogue, public information, and rigorous, objective research bridging the medical, neuroscientific, social science, education and academic communities. See the Congress [agenda here](#).

RSVP requested. Email info@childrenandscreens.com for press pass.

When: October 15-18, 2018

Where: [Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory](#)
1 Bungtown Road, Cold Spring Harbor, Long Island, NY

What: [Digital Media and Developing Minds](#) is the only interdisciplinary research

event dedicated to providing a trusted environment for medical researchers, neurologists, psychologists, educators, technologists, and policy-makers to collaborate with peers and explore in-depth knowledge.

Expo: The “Tools and Methodologies Exposition” runs concurrently with the Congress and showcases new and emerging technologies that can be leveraged to measure, track and analyze physiological and psychological impacts of digital media on infants, toddlers, adolescents, and teenagers.

Details on [Speakers](#):

Co-Chairs:

Pamela Hurst-Della Pietra, DO, Children and Screens
David Stewart, PhD, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory

Congress Committee:

Dimitri A. Christakis, MD, MPH, University of Washington; Seattle Children’s Research Institute
Elizabeth Englander, PhD, Massachusetts Aggression Reduction Center, Bridgewater State University
Patricia Greenfield, PhD, Children’s Digital Media Center at Los Angeles, University of California Los Angeles
Carrie James, PhD, Project Zero, Harvard Graduate School of Education
Larry Rosen, PhD, California State University, Dominguez Hills
Christopher Starr, MD, FACS, Weill Cornell Medicine, New York-Presbyterian Hospital
Melina Uncapher, PhD, University of California San Francisco
Ellen Wartella, PhD, Northwestern University
Paul Weigle, MD, Natchaug Hospital; American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry’s Media Committee

Domestic Researchers:

Anissa Abi-Dargham, MD, Stony Brook University
Craig Anderson, PhD, Iowa State University
Jennifer Stevens Aubrey, PhD, University of Arizona
Jakki Bailey, PhD, University of Texas at Austin
Rachel Barr, PhD, Georgetown University
Courtney Blackwell, PhD, Northwestern University
Brad Bushman, PhD, The Ohio State University
Cordelia Carter, MD, New York University
Justine Cassell, PhD, Carnegie Mellon University
Linda Charmaraman, PhD, Wellesley College
Jason Chein, PhD, Temple University
Sarah Coyne, PhD, Brigham Young University
Eric Dubow, PhD, Bowling Green State University
Serge Egelman, PhD, University of California Berkeley
Sherry Emery, PhD, University of Chicago

Elizabeth Englander, PhD, Bridgewater State University
Dorothy Espelage, PhD, University of Florida
Adam Gazzaley, PhD, University of California San Francisco
Douglas Gentile, PhD, Iowa State University
Madeleine George, PhD, Purdue University
Arnold Glass, PhD, Rutgers University
Lauren Hale, PhD, Stony Brook University
Richard Halverson, PhD, University of Wisconsin-Madison
Carolyn Heinrich, PhD, Vanderbilt University
Kathryn Hirsh-Pasek, PhD, Temple University
Tom Hummer, PhD, Indiana University
Thomas Joiner, PhD, Florida State University
Sara Konrath, PhD, Indiana University
Ethan Kross, PhD, University of Michigan
Monique LeBourgeois, MD, University of Colorado Boulder
Steve Lee, PhD, University of California Los Angeles
Jennifer Manganello, PhD, University at Albany School of Public Health
Marc Potenza, MD, PhD, Yale
Tom Robinson, MD, MPH, Stanford University
Larry Rosen, PhD, California State University
Rachel Severson, PhD, University of Montana
Lindsay Squeglia, PhD, Medical University of South Carolina
Joanne Broder Sumerson, PhD, Research Psychologist
Melina Uncapher, PhD, University of California San Francisco
Stephen Uzzo, PhD, New York Institute of Technology
Ellen Wartella, PhD, Northwestern School of Communication
Emily Weinstein, EdD, Harvard University
Michele Ybarra, PhD, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health
Kimberly Young, PhD, St Bonaventure University
Karla Zadnik, OD, PhD, Ohio State University.

International Researchers:

Susanne Baumgartner, PhD, University of Amsterdam
Daphne Bavelier, PhD, University of Geneva, Switzerland
Guilherme Borges, ScD, Universidad Nacional Autonoma, Mexico
Matthias Brand, PhD, University of Duisburg-Essen, Germany
Zsolt Demetrovics, PhD, Eotvos Lorand University, Budapest
Young-Sam Koh, Tongmyong University, Korea
Tijana Milosevic, PhD, University of Oslo
Mark Mon Williams, PhD, University of Leeds
Hans-Jurgen Rumpf, PhD, University of Lubeck, Germany
Klaus Wolfling, PhD, Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz, Germany

Government Representatives:

James Griffin, PhD, National Institutes of Health
Paul Hambleton, MA, Formerly of Maine Department of Education

Edward J. Markey, U.S. Senator of Massachusetts; co-author of the CAMRA Act (via video); and more

Industry, Non-Profit, Authors and Media Speakers Include:

Sandra Calvert, PhD, Children's Digital Media Center, Georgetown University

Hilarie Cash, PhD, LMHC, Internet/Computer Addiction Services

Patricia Greenfield, PhD, Children's Digital Media Center at Los Angeles, University of California Los Angeles

Tristan Harris, PhD, The Center for Humane Technology

Anya Kamenetz, National Public Radio

Nicholas Kardaras, LCSW-R, Launch House Digital Detox

Trisha Prabhu, ReThink; Student at Harvard University

Vicky Rideout, MA, VJR Consulting

Michael Robb, PhD, Common Sense Media

John Silva, MEd, NBCT, The News Literacy Project

Brenda Wiederhold, PhD, MBA, BCB, BCN, Interactive Media Institute

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