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DOHaD in Action

Influencing political and public agendas

Developmental origins of health and disease (DOHAD) is the scientific exploration of early human development in relation to chronic disease in later life. Join us for a day of discussion on why DOHaD should matter to politicians, health leaders and the public -- and how to make it happen.

DOHAD research has established that poor fetal growth and small birth size mean increased risk of heart disease, stroke, hypertension, Type 2 diabetes and osteoporosis in later life. At this two day symposium, participants will explore strategies to:

- Make developmental origins of health and disease a priority for universities, research institutes, health agencies and funders
- Engage and influence government, media and international leaders
- Translate DOHaD research into health policy and practice

Keynote speaker Dr. David Barker

Professor of Clinical Epidemiology at the University of Southampton, UK, and Professor, Department of Cardiovascular Medicine at the Oregon Health and Science University, USA

Who should attend?

- DOHaD researchers
- Research institute representatives
- Research funders
- Politicians and policy makers
- Health care leaders
- Media

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