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# Why Bother with Fathers?

## The *other* Attachment and the Development of Young Children

*By*

**Kyle Pruett, M.D.**

Clinical Professor of Child Psychiatry  
at Yale School of Medicine and a pioneer in  
defining the role of men as fathers.

Dr. Pruett will present a day-long interactive workshop on the clinical significance of paternal engagement on child and family development. The morning session will focus on how fathering differs from mothering and why it matters to child outcomes. He will present research that prepares the way for revamping current approaches to families around paternal engagement strategies. In the afternoon, Dr. Pruett will present the newest findings from his own award-winning research on paternal engagement with special emphasis on how such engagement affects maternal behavior. The day will end with small-group discussions of how our agencies and institutions can integrate father-friendly practices into their programming.

**Thursday October 25, 2012**  
**9:00am—4:00pm**

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