

Programme

DC Network Online Conference

Saturday 17 Oct 2026 - 2pm-5.30pm

Zoom webinar

With optional "Meet and Connect" small groups 5.30-6pm



Time	Activity
2pm	Conference starts - welcome
2.10pm	Sharing your family story part 1 We'll hear from solo mum, Anita and solo dad, Colum talking about their journeys to parenthood and how they are managing talking about donor conception with their children and the wider world. Plus Q&A
2.35pm	Sharing your family story part 2 Jane, mum through egg donation, will share her experience of talking about donor conception with her daughter and how that family story has evolved over the last 23 years. Plus Q&A
3pm	Break
3.10pm	Research presentation: Building autobiographical memories and identity development in children Child psychologist, Javiera Navarro-Marshall, will be presenting her recent research, sharing tools and approaches for talking with children. Plus Q&A
4pm	Telling and Talking: Challenges and Nuance Astrid Indekeu and Jane Ellis will explore some of the more challenging scenarios that can impact decisions around openness.
4.35pm	Break
4.45pm	Rebecca Coxon: Late discovery, 'telling', and what happens next...? Rebecca discovered she was donor conceived through a DNA test and has published her memoir, 'Inconceivable'. She will share her complex, fascinating story, 'telling' and experience as an egg donor. Plus Q&A
5.25	Final words
5.30pm	"Meet and Connect": small break out groups (optional)
6pm	Finish

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