



# Division of Developmental Medicine Research Programs Boston Children's Hospital *Summer 2012 Newsletter*

## Hello from Dr. Nelson!

Hello from the Research Programs in the Division of Developmental Medicine! I hope this newsletter finds you all well. Here in the DDM we are gearing up for a very busy summer. We have an exciting new infant study getting underway in July looking at how infants process emotion in faces, specifically their tendency to prefer looking at fearful ones. We are also welcoming several new team members who will bring new skills and new energy to our work. As always, please feel free to explore our [website](#) or contact our [Outreach Coordinator](#) for more information about studies in which your family might participate.



Whether you have already taken part in our studies or have recently joined our growing Participant Registry, I greatly appreciate your interest in our research. Your support of our work and participation in our studies are invaluable to us in answering many important questions related to infant and child cognitive development.

Have a wonderful summer and be sure to wear your sunscreen!

Warm wishes,

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## Check Out Our New Videos!

We recently put together a set of short videos about the research aims and mission at the [Labs of Cognitive Neuroscience](#), our busiest research unit. A big thank you to all of the families that helped make these videos possible! For those of you who haven't yet been part of a study, take a look at the video below to hear what parents and kids have to say about participating in research:



You can watch the main video below and connect to the videos about each individual lab from there. You can also view them all on our website, [here](#) !

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## Stay in the loop...





Please feel free to share these videos on Facebook or with friends and family who may be interested in participating in studies as well!

## Adult Study Participation Opportunities!

**Good news for all you adults who have been waiting for your chance to do a study! We are currently looking for adult volunteers to participate in two studies, one looking at shape processing and the other at face processing.**



One study is looking for 18-22 year olds, the other for adults ages 20-40. Participation involves one or two visits to the lab of about 1.5 hours each. Free parking is provided along with free child care for those of you who have kids that you may want to bring along. **Participants will receive up to \$30 as a thank you for their time!**

***If you are interested in learning more about these studies or participating, please contact Rebecca Hansen by [e-mail](#) or phone at 857-218-3011. Thanks!***

## Rainy Day? Take a Look at Our Kids' Corner!



We've added lots of new games and fun activities to the [Kids' Corner](#) section of our website. Take a tour of the lab, learn about the brain, or try our brain maze and brain coloring sheet!

## Do You Have a New Addition?

***Congratulations!*** We have several ongoing infant studies, as well as a new project looking at emotion processing starting this summer. If you have welcomed a new little one and would like to stay in the loop about studies that he or she may be eligible for, please let us know!

We have free parking and free child care for any older siblings that may tag along, and you will also get to take home a small toy and a "Neuroscientist in Training" onesie (as modeled by the twins below, who belong to our Lab Coordinator, Alissa).



To add your newest family member to the Participant Registry, please contact Rebecca Hansen, by [e-mail](#) or by phone at (857) 218-3011.

and help us to reach 600 fans!

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