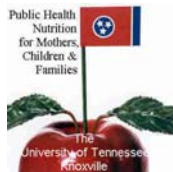


# ***Promoting Healthy Weight Colloquium***

*Infancy: Nutrition, Physical Activity, Parenting and Mothers' Experiences*

Friday, September 25, 2009

12:30 – 4:30 pm EDST



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## **Dawn Podulka Coe, PhD**

### **Born to Play: Physical Activity in Infancy**

Dawn P. Coe, Ph.D. is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Exercise, Sport, and Leisure Studies at the University of Tennessee. Dr. Coe's research interests focus on physical activity and fitness during childhood and adolescence, pediatric exercise physiology, and genetic influences on pediatric obesity. Major research foci include a) the effect of physical activity behaviors and health-related fitness on academic achievement in youth and b) genetic influences on pediatric obesity and metabolic syndrome and the roles that physical activity and fitness play in these relationships. Dr. Coe is an active member in numerous scientific organizations and is currently serving on the Board of Directors of the North American Society for Pediatric Exercise Medicine.



## **Hillary Fouts, PhD**

### **Cultural Perspectives of Infant Feeding**

Hillary Fouts, an Assistant Professor in the Department of Child and Family Studies, has a Ph.D. in Anthropology from Washington State University. Dr. Fouts received a 4 year post-doctoral fellowship from the National Institute for Child Health and Human Development, in which she had the opportunity to pursue two lines of research: one in the U.S. examining the effects of socio-economic circumstances and ethnicity on early infant care practices, and one in the Congo Basin rainforest examining the nature of caregiver-child interactions during transition from infancy to childhood. Dr. Fouts has published in anthropological, psychological, and public health journals, and in interdisciplinary volumes on topics such as: caregiver sensitivity to fussing and crying,

ethical issues of cross-cultural research, family dynamics among Central Africans, infant crying among hunter-gatherers, toddler peer interactions, parent-infant interactions in African American families, multiple caregivers and social partners of African American infants, parent-child conflicts during weaning from breastfeeding in Central Africa, infant-feeding and weaning practices among tropical forest foraging and farming populations, cooperative child-feeding in the Congo, and father involvement with young children in Central Africa.

## **M. Jane Heinig, PhD, IBCLC**

### **Strategies to Prevent Overfeeding During Infancy: The WIC Baby Behavior Study**

Dr. Jane Heinig an International Board Certified Lactation Consultant and an Academic Administrator in the Department of Nutrition at UC Davis where she conducts research in the areas of clinical lactation, nutrition education, social marketing, program evaluation and infant nutrition. Dr. Heinig also serves as the Editor-in-Chief of the *Journal of Human Lactation* and is the Executive Director of the UC Davis Human Lactation Center. She has published widely in the scientific literature and is a member of the International Lactation Consultant Association, the American Public Health Association, and the International Society for Research in Human Milk and Lactation.

