Lieberman named 2017 Whole Child Award recipient

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Alicia Lieberman, PhD

Irving B. Harris Endowed Chair of Infant Mental Health, Professor and Department of Psychiatry Vice Chair for Faculty Development Alicia F. Lieberman, PhD, has been selected by the Simms/Mann Institute as one of its three 2017 recipients of the Whole Child Award. The honor recognizes extraordinary leaders in the field of care for children ages 0-3 who incorporate new and integrative approaches in education and health.

Lieberman was singled out for recognition for her contributions in the realm of education and advocacy. She will be presented with her award during the Simms/Mann Institute Institute Think Tank on February 9 in Santa Monica, Calif.

Lieberman is the director of the Child Trauma Research Project at Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital and Trauma Center, as well as the Early Trauma Treatment Network, a center of the National Child Traumatic Stress Network. She is a past president of Zero to Three: The National Center for Infants, Toddlers and Families, and the author or senior author of several books for parents and clinicians, including The Emotional Life of the Toddler (1993), Losing a Parent to Death in the Early Years: Treating Traumatic Bereavement in Infancy and Early Childhood (2003); Don’t Hit My Mommy: A Manual for Child-Parent Psychotherapy with Young Witnesses of Domestic Violence (2005), and Psychotherapy with Infants and Young Children: Repairing the Effect of Stress and Trauma on Early Attachment (2008), as well as a editor of Zero to Three’s 1994 Diagnostic Classification of Mental Health and Developmental Disorders of Infancy and Early Childhood (DC:0-3) and 2005’s Diagnostic Classification of Mental Health and Developmental Disorders of Infancy and Early Childhood, Revised Edition (DC:0-3R).
She served on the National Research Council and Institute of Medicine Committee on Integrating the Science of Early Childhood Development, whose work resulted in the publication of the influential *From Neurons to Neighborhoods: The Science of Early Childhood* (2000), and is the author of over 50 articles and chapters about infancy and therapeutic interventions in the early years. She lectures extensively in four continents and is a consultant to government agencies and private foundations nationally and abroad.

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