

After two years of general paediatric training at the Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto, and three years of wonderful experience learning about 'applied child development' at the Wolfson Centre, Institute of Child Health, University of London, **Dr. Peter Rosenbaum** (rosenbau@mcmaster.ca) joined the faculty of McMaster University in 1973 and has been a Professor of Paediatrics there since 1984. With Dr. Mary Law he was the co-founder in 1989 of the award-winning *CanChild* Centre for Childhood Disability Research, a health system-linked research unit funded by the Ontario Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care, and closely allied to Ontario's new Ministry of Children and Youth Services. *CanChild* is now recognized internationally for its research and dissemination activities in the field of childhood disability.

Dr. Rosenbaum holds one of the original Canada Research Chairs, first awarded in January 2001 to leading Canadian researchers. Dr. Rosenbaum has been president of the American Academy for Cerebral Palsy and Developmental Medicine 1996-98 (the first Canadian so honoured). He was also the first Canadian to be invited to Sweden as the Folke Bernadotte Stipendiate, in 1995. Dr. Rosenbaum has held more than 60 peer-reviewed research grants and is a contributing author to over 190 peer-reviewed scientific papers and book chapters on a variety of topics concerning childhood disability. In June 2000 Dr. Rosenbaum received the Ross Award from the Canadian Paediatric Society, the Society's most prestigious peer recognition. He has also been awarded the United Cerebral Palsy Research and Educational Foundation Weinstein-Goldenson Scientific Award. Dr. Rosenbaum recently or currently has worked with graduate students in Canada (McMaster University and the University of Toronto), England (University of Oxford), South Africa (Witwatersrand University), the Netherland (University of Utrecht) and Slovenia (University of Ljubljana). In October 2005 he was awarded an honorary Doctor of Science degree by Université Laval in Quebec City.