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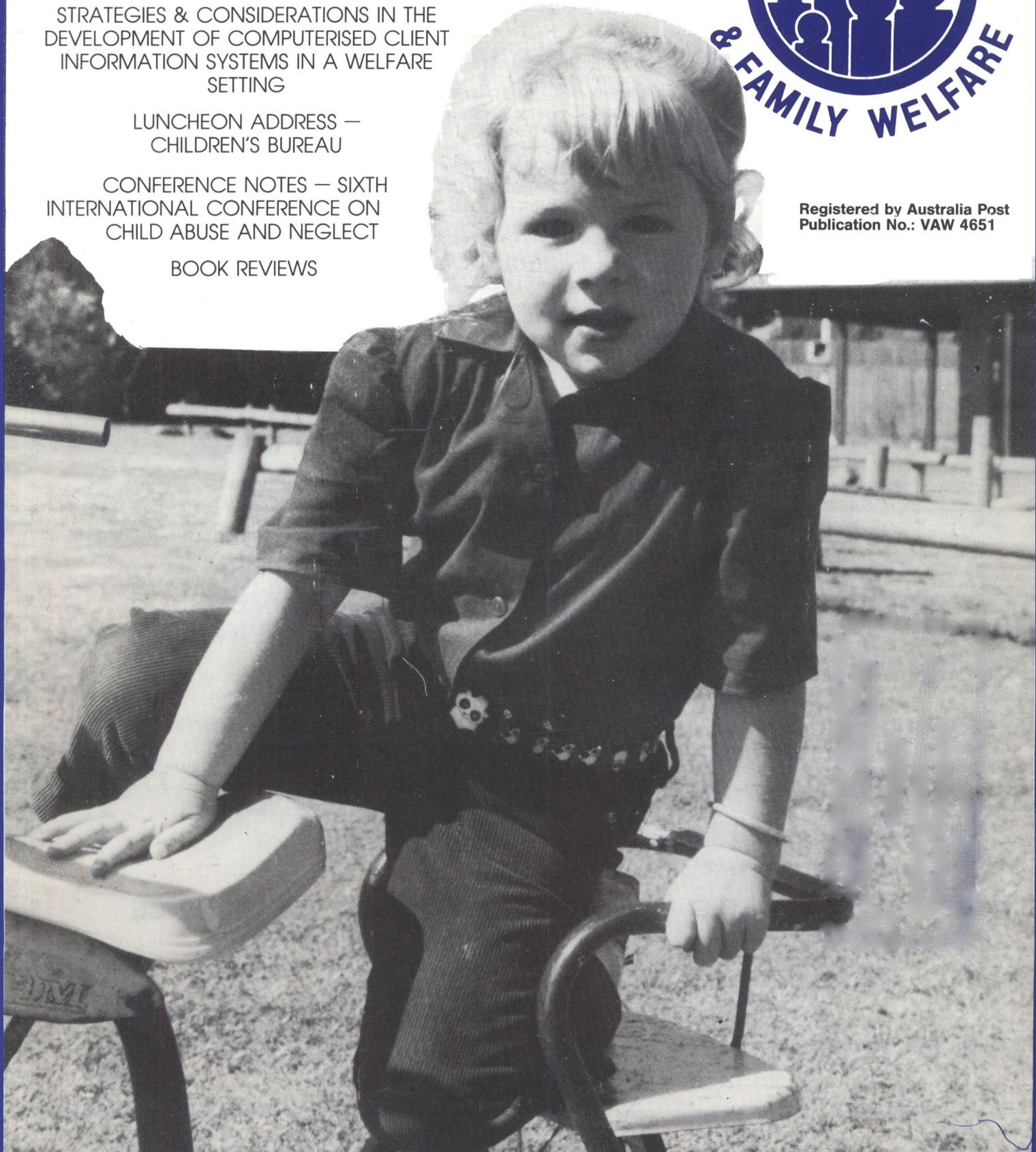
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## **PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT IN FOSTER FAMILY CARE**

*Anthony Maluccio – Professor The University of Connecticut School of Social Work West Hartford, Connecticut; and James Whittaker – Professor The University of Washington School of Social Work Seattle, Washington.*

The authors consider the concept of parental involvement in permanency planning in the context of foster care. Implication for practice in the engagement of parents in the process is considered.

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## **PROMOTING STABILITY IN FOSTER CARE**

*Peter Mertin – M.Psych. Senior Clinical Psychologist, Child, Adolescent Mental Health Services, Adelaide and Richard Baxter – Supervisor, Anglican Child Care Services, Adelaide.*

The authors identify long term foster care as appropriate permanency planning outcome when returning home is not an option for children. They discuss the dynamics which can influence the success of foster care placements.

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## **INCORPORATING NATURAL FAMILY MEMBERS INTO RESIDENTIAL PROGRAMMES FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH**

*Frank Ainsworth – Head, School of Social Work Phillip Institute of Technology Bundoora, Victoria. and Patricia Hansen – Acting Chief Social Worker Austin Hospital Heidelberg, Victoria.*

In this article the residential workers response to natural family members involvement with a child in care is examined. Practical ways of working with family members is discussed.

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*Julie Martin – M.A., M.A.Ps.S. Senior Research Officer M.F.C.O. Research Unit.*

In this article the author describes the development of computerised information systems in a family and child welfare agency. The process of developing a system able to respond to the informational and clinical needs of a multifaceted agency in a manner which promotes quality practice is described.

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