Are you a parent of siblings who fight?

Every day thousands of parents wake up to the challenge of dealing with children who are in conflict with their siblings.

Researchers from The University of Queensland are interested in understanding and improving children’s relationships with their siblings. To do this, the research team headed by Prof. Matt Sanders, would like to invite parents of siblings to fill out a brief questionnaire highlighting their experiences raising siblings. The researchers are interested to know how being a parent of siblings impacts your family? Do you receive enough support to deal with challenging behaviour? What sort of extra help do you think you need? And how best would you like to receive support? The information provided will be used to help develop a tailored parenting program for parents who are having difficulty with their children’s sibling conflict. Participating parents will also be invited to register their interest for the trial of the program once it is available.

All parents of siblings who have children aged between 2 and 10 years with no more than 4-years separating the two siblings are invited to participate in a brief questionnaire available at www.exp.psy.uq.edu.au/siblings. Parents do not need to have children who are in conflict to participate. Contact John Pickering on (07) 3346 8743 or email j.pickering@uq.edu.au, or visit for more information.