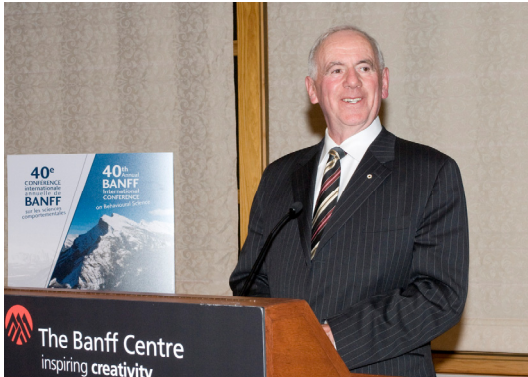




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On March 18, 2008, the Centre of Excellence for Early Childhood Development (CEECD) awarded Charles S. Coffey with its 2008 *Medal for Exceptional Contribution to Early Childhood Development*. He was presented with the award on the occasion of the 40th Annual Banff International Conference on Behavioural Science, Banff, Alberta, in recognition of his remarkable contributions and support to early childhood development.

Mr. Coffey's leadership in the private, public and not-for-profit sectors across the country and his involvement in many social justice issues, especially among youth and communities, shows his dedication to improve knowledge and its applications, and to foster collaboration on important issues such as child development. His personal involvement and commitment in local and national projects and programs initiatives have helped make a difference in supporting young people's development.

In awarding this medal, the CEECD wishes to ensure that Mr. Coffey's contribution is well acknowledged and to recognize his many accomplishments.