Greetings!

My name is Dr. Jennifer Zosh and I am the Director of the Infant and Child Cognition Center at Penn State University, Brandywine Campus. We are part of the Human Development and Family Studies department on campus and we conduct research to find out how infants and young children learn about the world around them. If you have an infant or small child, you might be interested in hearing more about the work that we do here at this research center.

Have you ever wondered what your infant or small child is thinking? At the Infant and Child Cognition Center, we ask questions about how young infants remember hidden objects, how they develop the ability to think about number, and how preschoolers learn new words. We have a group of researchers that are interested in answering these questions by playing fun games with children. For instance, we might play a fun hide-and-seek game to explore the abilities and limits of infant memory. If you and your child decide to participate, all that is involved is a single visit to our center, located on the campus of Penn State Brandywine (near Media in Middletown Township). All of our studies are designed to be fun games and last about 15 minutes. Because we want you and your child to feel comfortable, we take the time to answer all of your questions and for your child to play with us, so the visit lasts about 40 minutes. We thoroughly explain the goals of the research and with your consent, will have your child participate in the study. You are with your child the entire time. We have studies ongoing for typically-developing children in various age groups between 6 months and 5 years.

We would love to tell you more about the exciting (and fun!) work that we do at the Infant and Child Cognition Center. Please check out our website (iccc.brandywine.psu.edu) and if you are interested in participating, please fill out and return the response form located in the enclosed brochure, email us at iccc@psu.edu, or call us at 610-892-1294. We would be happy to answer your questions. We look forward to meeting you and your child and working together to explore how infants and toddlers learn about the world around them!

With sincere thanks,

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Note: Please accept our sincere apologies if we have made an error in contacting you or if you do not wish to participate. If so, please return the response form or contact us via email or phone and we will be sure not to contact you in the future.