Q1. What is the main challenge that researchers with childcare responsibilities face when attending conferences, according to the text?

Difficulty balancing professional and personal commitments

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Q2. According to the text, what cultural shift does Laura Pallett suggest? Answer two points.

1. More targeted support from institutions and funders for those with caring responsibilities who might otherwise not be able to attend conferences.

2. Greater effort from conference organizers to make provision for a high-quality hybrid experience.

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Q3. Why are some conference organizers hesitant to hold virtual or hybrid events, according to the text? Choose the one answer.

A) Virtual conferences are less attractive to organize.

B) Attendees prefer to travel and meet in person.

C) It is difficult to replicate networking opportunities online.

D) Virtual conferences are not as popular as in-person ones.

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Q4. According to the text, why might some researchers be reluctant to present unpublished work in a virtual conference?

There is concern about confidentiality and the potential for unauthorized sharing of their research.

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Q5. According to Amie Batson, what is important when addressing conference accessibility issues? Choose the one answer.

- A) Immediately implementing all suggested solutions
- B) Monitoring interventions to learn what works best
- C) Focusing only on solutions that benefit women
- D) Increasing the number of virtual conferences

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