



Forensicare, Centre for Forensic Behavioural Science & Swinburne University of Technology

# Annual Research Report 2023 - 2024





### Acknowledgement of Country

Forensicare and the Centre for Forensic Behavioural Science acknowledges Victoria's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community and its rich culture, and pays respect to its Elders past and present. We acknowledge Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people as the traditional owners and custodians of the land and water on which we live, work and play. We recognise and value the ongoing contribution of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and communities to Victorian life and how this enriches our society more broadly. We embrace the spirit of self-determination and reconciliation, working towards equality of outcomes and ensuring equitable voice.



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### Report by Professor Michael Daffern

Professor of Clinical Forensic Psychology and Director, Centre for Forensic Behavioural Science, Swinburne University of Technology.

Welcome to the 2023 - 2024 Annual Research Report for the Victorian Institute of Forensic Mental Health (Forensicare) and the Centre for Forensic Behavioural Science (CFBS).

The last year has been productive for the Centre as we strive for excellence in our research, training and consultation and evaluation work. We have also grown this year, and I am pleased to report that



following extensive international searches we welcomed Senior Lecturer Dr Nichola Tyler from the UK via New Zealand and Associate Professor Ashley Batastini from the United States. Nichola's research interests and expertise are in the areas of arson/deliberate fire setting, forensic mental health, and sexual violence prevention. Her work has been funded by the National Health Service (UK), and the Evidence Based Policing Centre (Aoterea New Zealand), Royal Society of New Zealand, and Fire and Emergency Aoterea New Zealand. Nichola also has experience of working in UK prisons, and community and inpatient forensic mental health services. Associate Professor Ashley Batastini's research focuses on developing novel intervention strategies for higher-risk populations, improving access to appropriate interventions at various stages of criminal legal involvement, and addressing systemic factors within carceral settings that can diminish the efficacy of interventions. Her research often considers ways to integrate technology into correctional and forensic mental health services. Ashley also has clinical expertise in conducting forensic mental health evaluations.

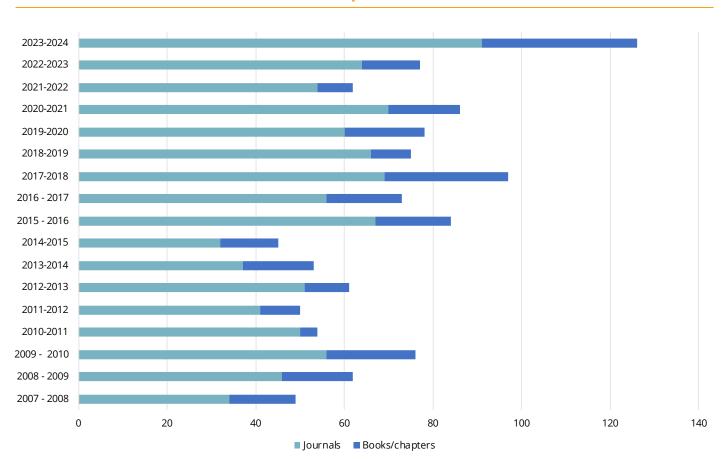
We also welcomed Dr Maddison Riachi, Dr Harry Dent, and Maicee Young. Maddison joins the CFBS as a Postdoctoral Research Fellow with the Victorian Children's Court Clinic industry partnership. Her research focuses on assessment and intervention in the areas of child maltreatment and youth offending. Harry joins the CFBS as a Research Fellow after completing his doctorate in Forensic Psychology at Victoria University in New Zealand. His previous work has primarily focused on theoretical and qualitative approaches to forensic intervention and treatment. At the CFBS, he is primarily working with the Children's Court Clinic team on issues surrounding assessment of risk for child maltreatment and other issues relating to familial conflict, drawing on his experience with qualitative research methodologies. Finally, Maicee joins the CFBS as a Research Fellow for Forensicare. She is nearing the completion of her PhD at Deakin University and has worked on several projects within the CFBS as a Research Assistant. Her work focuses on the relationships between social and emotional wellbeing of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people and justice system involvement. She is particularly interested in strengths-based research with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and other overrepresented populations.

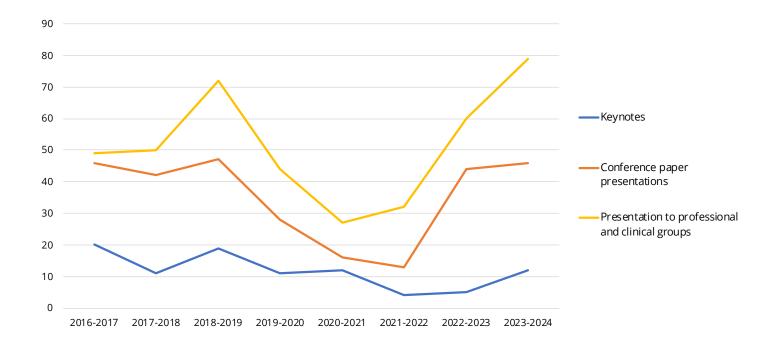
I'd also like to congratulate Dr Caleb Lloyd who was promoted to Associate Professor. Caleb leads our Rehabilitation, Reintegration, and Managing Risk for Crime research stream. His work focuses on the assessment and management of dynamic risk in community corrections.

Throughout 2023-2024 we have maintained our commitment to high quality research and in the coming pages, the details of studies published this last financial year and selected study highlights are featured. Publications span various CFBS research themes and reflect Forensicare's multiple research interests. One highlight is a book written by Professor Troy McEwan and colleagues, "Treating Stalking: A Practical Guide for Clinicians". This book is the first detailed guide for practitioners providing psychological treatment for stalking behaviour and is the culmination of decades of world leading excellence in stalking research by Troy, colleagues in Forensicare and international collaborators.

Centre staff have also consulted widely, preparing commissioned reports, evaluations and consultancies for various government agencies, in Victoria, New South Wales and Queensland. We have also worked with the non-government sector and internationally. These activities connect us with industry partners, helping us have a positive impact on the communities we serve, translating our research into policy and practice improvements and paving the way for future student and staff research.

### CFBS academic and research outputs





Beyond these traditional academic outlets and industry impactful consulting, the CFBS has sought to promote its work and contribute to knowledge development through its conference and teaching programmes. In September 2023 we held our biennial Safer Futures conference in Prato, Italy. This has become a popular event with a record 108 international delegates attending across the four days. In March 2024 we were invited by the Australasian Youth Justice Administrators to co-organise and cohost the 5th Australasian Youth Justice Conference in Melbourne. This was a highly successful event with 483 full registrations, and 58 single day registrations. The two main streams for the conference were 'Culture a powerful connection to identity, empowerment and self-determination', and 'Building safe, stable and connected workforces'. Co-organising and co-facilitating this conference allowed the Centre to connect with youth justice agencies around Australasia, creating opportunities for research and research impact, and showcasing our youth focussed research.

Our training programmes also continue to flourish. Our doctoral training programme in clinical and forensic psychology remains popular and the only dually endorsed postgraduate training programme in clinical and forensic psychology in Australia. The Forensic Behavioural Science suite of programmes is also popular with more than 300 enrollments in Semester 2, 2023 and again in Semester 1 2024. The Forensic Mental Health Professional Development Programme, a joint initiative between CFBS and Forensicare saw 25 workshops facilitated and over 500 attendees across the financial year.

Recognition of the impact and influence of our research can also be seen with several individual and team awards.

Led by Associate Professor Rachael Fullam, the CFBS in partnership with Victoria Police, received a Gold Crime and Violence Prevention Award from the Australian Institute of Criminology for the

Embedded Youth Outreach Program (EYOP). The EYOP pairs a police officer with a youth worker to provide after-hours secondary responses to young people coming into contact with police. The EYOP team engages with young people in the field or at a police station to assess their needs and provide initial support, assessment, and referral to support services.

Distinguished Professor James Ogloff AM received the 2023 Rüdiger Müller-Isberner Award from the International Association of Forensic Mental Health Services and spoke about service needs at the annual congress in Sydney following his award. The Rüdiger Müller-Isberner Award is intended to celebrate Professor Müller-Isberner's contributions to the field and the International Association of Forensic Mental Health Services. The award honours a long-standing member of the association whose career epitomises the fusion of clinical practice, scholarly research, and mentorship.

Dr Nina Papalia, Dr Abigail Sheed and Mr Brett McIvor also received awards for their work in 2023-2024.

Dr Nina Papalia was awarded the 2023 Australian Psychological Society Early Career Research Award, which recognises researchers who improve mental health and wellbeing of Australians through psychology.

Dr Abigail Sheed was awarded Best Higher Degree by Research Thesis 2023, School of Health Sciences, Swinburne University of Technology.

Brett McIvor was awarded Outstanding Professional Staff Member 2023, School of Health Sciences, Swinburne University of Technology.

Finally, I'd like to take this opportunity to thank all Centre staff and students for their efforts and commitment to forensic mental health research and congratulate them on their accomplishments. This has once again been a productive year and we look forward to 2024-2025, a return to colocation with Forensicare in Yarra House and a strengthening of our partnership through our Master Collaboration Agreement.

If you are interested in regular updates on our activities, including forthcoming professional development workshops and conferences, then please subscribe to our quarterly newsletter by registering at: cfbs@swin.edu.au

### Forensicare research governance

Research at Forensicare is facilitated by the Forensicare Research Department, led by the Forensicare Research Manager, Dr Trentham Furness.

The Research Department supports Forensicare staff to build their research capability, facilitates research across the organisation and promotes dissemination of research outcomes and translation. Oversight is provided from the Forensicare Operational Research Committee (ORC) and the Forensicare and Swinburne University of Technology Research Governance Committee. The ORC



reviews all research applications submitted to Forensicare and prioritises research that aligns with the Forensicare Strategic Plan 2021-2026, and research priority areas. The research priorities and enablers were identified through key stakeholder engagement and expert consultation over multiple workshop and planning sessions and subsequently approved by the Forensicare ORC. The priorities are founded in the nexus between science and practice – with each informing the other to ensure excellence and evidence-based practice in our service. The six research priority areas reflect the Forensicare vision; meaningful lives lived safely; hope in recovery; connected care.

Evaluates and improves Forensicare

Improves how we partner with our consumers and carers and promote their journey to improved wellbeing and more meaningful lives

Strengthens the capability and wellbeing

Addresses the mental health and other causes of violent and complex problem behaviour

Improves how we prevent inpatient aggression and violence and reduce restrictive intervention use

Helps us address co-occurring and other factors that delay recovery progress



### Achievements in the last financial year

91

Journal articles

**79** 

Research translation activities 35

Books/ chapters

20

Industry reports

12

Keynote addresses

25

Forensic Mental Health Professional Development Programs delivered 46

Paper presentations

13

New research projects were approved to commence at Forensicare

# Grant and contract research and evaluation and consultation income awarded 2023/2024

\$1,137,007 — Australian competitive grant R&D income

\$480,767 — Public sector and industry R&D income

\$57,468 — Consultation income

\$1,675,242 --- Total

### **Current students**

10

PhD

43

Doctorate of Clinical and Forensic Psychology 1

Honours student

### Competitive grant funded projects

### **New projects**

Lead Researchers	Project	Funding Body
Dist. Prof. James Ogloff Dr Abigail Sheed Dr Nina Papalia Dr Benjamin Spivak	Enhancing risk assessment practice at the Victorian Children's Court	Victorian Legal Services Board
Dr Benjamin Spivak Dr Michael Trood Dr Nina Papalia Prof. Stephane Shepherd	The impact of practice changes to police cautioning on access to police diversion in youth	Australian Institute of Criminology Research Grants
Dist. Prof. James Ogloff Dr Benjamin Spivak Dr Marilyn McMahon Prof. Michael Daffern	Examining the effects of remand on justice and mental health outcomes and improving risk assessments in bail contexts in Australia	Australian Research Council Discovery Projects
Dr Nina Papalia Dr Benjamin Spivak Prof. Troy McEwan	Applying a trauma-informed lens to understand pathways into adolescent family violence use: Expanding the Evidence base to inform prevention and effective intervention	Australia's National Organisation for Women's Safety (ANROWS)

### Ongoing projects

Lead Researchers	Project	Funding Body
Assoc. Prof Caleb D. Lloyd Dr Darcy Coulter Dr Ariel Stone	Acute Dynamic Risk Assessment Program / DRAOR and SDAC-21 Case Management Tools Implementation and Evaluation	Department of Justice
Dist. Prof. James Ogloff Dr Marie Henshaw Prof. Denny Meyer	Understanding and responding to online child sexual exploitation offenders	Australian Research Council, Linkage Grant Program
Assoc. Prof. Caleb D. Lloyd Dr Jamie Ung Dr Neira Ott Dr Cole A. Higley	Offender decision making and desistance from crime	United States Department of Justice National Institute of Justice Research, Development and Evaluation Grant Award

Lead Researchers	Project	Funding Body
Dr Nina Papalia	Child Victims: Providing protection from revictimisation and future offending	Australian Research Council Discovery Early Career Researcher Award
Dr Tess Maguire	Evaluating Entrustable Professional Activities to enhance performance of graduate nursing using an Aggression Prevention Protocol	Swinburne University School of Health Sciences

# Commissioned research, evaluation and consultation

#### **New projects**

Prof. Troy McEwan, Dr Benjamin Spivak, Dr Nichola Tyler, Dr Margaret Nixon and Assoc. Prof. Rachael Fullam. Evaluation of the stalking response model pilot. Commissioned by Victoria Police.

Assoc. Prof. Rachael Fullam, Dr Janet Ruffles, Dr Stefan Luebbers, Dr Ariel Stone, Dr Nicola Tyler and Assoc. Prof. Ashley Batastini. Development of a youth needs screener and case prioritisation tool for the Embedded Youth Outreach Program and delivery of training. Commissioned by Victoria Police.

Prof. Michael Daffern, Assoc. Prof. Rachael Fullam and Dr Janet Ruffles. Youth Support Service review and advice. Commissioned by the Youth Support and Advice Agency.

Prof. Michael Daffern, Assoc. Prof. Rachael Fullam and Janet Ruffles. Literature review: Evidence

based interventions for justice involved young people with a cognitive disability. Commissioned by the Department of Families, Fairness and Housing, Vic.

Prof. Troy McEwan and Assoc. Prof. Rachael Fullam. Training development and implementation support for the Case Prioritisation and Response Model Version 3. Commissioned by Victoria Police.

#### **Ongoing projects**

Assoc. Prof. Rachael Fullam, Dr Janet Ruffles, Dr Ariel Stone and Dist. Prof. James Ogloff. Evaluation of the Embedded Youth Outreach Program 2021-2027. Commissioned by Victoria Police.

Prof. Michael Daffern, Assoc. Prof. Rachael Fullam, Dr Janet Ruffles, Dr Kylie Thomson, Assoc. Prof. Ashley Batastini and Katie Richardson. Provision of a problematic sexualised behaviour framework and training. Commissioned by Youth Justice, Department of Justice and Community Services, Vic.

Dist. Prof. James Ogloff, Dr Nina Papalia, Dr Abigail Sheed, Dr Maddison Riachi, and Dr Harry Dent. Research services for the Children's Court Clinic. Commissioned by Courts Services Victoria.

Prof. Stuart Thomas, Prof. Michael Daffern, and Assoc. Prof. Danny Sillivan. Review of the implementation of Supervised Treatment Orders. Commissioned by the Department of Families, Fairness and Housing, Vic.

#### **Completed projects**

Prof. Michael Daffern, Assoc. Prof. Rachael Fullam, Dr Janet Ruffles, Dr Kylie Thomson, and Assoc. Prof. Ashley Batastini. DFFH. Development of a risk framework for the Complex Needs Assertive Outreach and Case Management pilot program. Commissioned by the Department of Families, Fairness and Housing, Vic.



### Forensicare-CFBS research partnership

The CFBS is Australasia's leading Centre for excellence in the areas of forensic mental health and forensic behavioural science research, teaching and practice development.

The CFBS operates under the auspices of Swinburne University and serves as the research arm of Forensicare. The partnership, as detailed in the Master Collaboration Agreement, is designed to support a research program aligned to the Forensicare Strategic Plan 2021-2026 and transfer research outcomes into safe clinical practice. The agreement provides funds and governance for the operation of the Forensicare Research Department to facilitate research across the organisation as well as the delivery of the Forensic Mental Health Professional Development Program. With Forensicare being the only provider in Victoria of specialist forensic mental health services, this research partnership enables a critical nexus between science and practice - with each informing the other to ensure excellence and evidence-based practice in service delivery. The research partnership brings together academics, clinicians, researchers and students from a variety of disciplines. The specialist areas of psychiatry, psychology, social work, law, nursing, occupational therapy and epidemiology are all represented. Additional expertise is available through affiliations established with industry partners, such as Victoria Police, Corrections Victoria, and international experts. The statutory functions and powers of Forensicare include the requirement "to conduct research in the fields of forensic mental health and wellbeing, forensic health, forensic behavioural science and associated fields", "to promote continuous

improvement in the quality and safety of forensic mental health and wellbeing services and related services provided in Victoria" and "to promote innovation in the provision of forensic mental health and wellbeing services and related services in Victoria" (Mental Health and Wellbeing Act 2022 14.1 s.613(g), 613(h) & 613(i)). The key research streams at the CFBS span Aggression and Violence, Childhood Maltreatment and Youth Offending, Complex Criminal Behaviour, Culture Psychology and Law, Psychology and Legal Processes and Rehabilitation, Reintegration and Managing Risk for Crime. The CFBS strategic plan 2023-2028 was also released in the last financial year. The strategic plan and key research streams are designed to ensure that the priorities of the Centre are consistent with the Forensicare Strategic Plan.

### **CFBS** staff members

Centre has twenty-eight Swinburne staff members, with thirteen core members, nine research fellows, one project officer, two professional staff and three associate members.

#### **Core Academic Staff Members**

Professor Michael Daffern Director

Associate Professor Rachael Fullam Deputy Director and Evaluation and Consultation Lead

Distinguished Professor James Ogloff

Professor Troy McEwan

Associate Professor Ashley Batastini

Associate Professor Caleb Lloyd

Dr Trentham Furness

Forensicare Research Manager

Dr Ashley Dunne

Senior Lecturer, in Clinical and Forensic

Psychology

Dr Benjamin Spivak

Senior Lecturer Forensic Psychology

Dr Margaret Nixon

Senior Lecturer and Professional Development

and Training Lead

Dr Nina Papalia

Senior Lecturer & DECRA Research Fellow

Dr Tessa Maguire

Senior Lecturer Forensic Mental Health Nursing

Dr Nichola Tyler

Senior Lecturer Forensic Psychology

#### **Research Fellows**

Dr Harry Dent

Dr Marie Henshaw

Dr Sophie Mattingley

Dr Maddison Riachi

Dr Janet Ruffles

Dr Abigail Sheed

Dr Reneta Slikboer

Dr Ariel Stone

Dr Michael Trood

Ms Maicee Young

#### **Project Officer**

Ms Katie Richardson

#### **Professional Staff**

Mr Brett McIvor

**Operations Manager** 

Ms Maree Stanford

Executive Assitant to the Director

#### **Associate Members**

Dr Joel McGregor

Lecturer and Discipline Convener, Criminology

Associate Professor Jeffrey Pfeifer

**Psychological Sciences** 

Dr Jason Skues

Senior Lecturer, Psychological Sciences

#### **CFBS Adjunct Staff Members**

#### **Adjunct Professors**

Professor Andrew Day University of Melbourne

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**Federation University** 

Professor Brian McKenna

Auckland University & Mason Clinic, New Zealand

Professor Michele Pathé

Consultant

Professor Rosemary Sheehan

Monash University

Professor Stephane Shepherd

**Deakin University** 

Professor Susanne Strand Örebro University, Sweden

Professor Tony Ward University of Wellington, New Zealand

Professor Stephen Wong University of Saskatchewan, Canada

Professor Min Yang Sichuan University, China

#### **Adjunct Industry Professors**

Professor Colmán O'Driscoll Forensicare

#### **Adjunct Associate Professors**

Associate Professor Andrew Carroll Forensic Psychiatrist, Consultant

Associate Professor Rajan Darjee Forensic Behavioural Assessment and Consultation Services

Associate Professor Tella Lantta University of Turku, Finland

Associate Professor Stefan Luebbers Alfred Health

Associate Professor Danny Sullivan Consultant Forensic and Adult Psychiatrist, Forensicare

Associate Professor Armon Tamatea University of Waikato, New Zealand

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Dr Lilian De Bortoli Court Services Victoria

Dr Flora Gilbert Forensicare

Dr Simon Hoang Forensicare

Dr Calvin Jutasi Monash Health

Dr Natasha Maharaj Deakin University

Ms Daveena Mawren

Dr Kate McGregor Forensicare

Dr Melanie Simmons Corrections Victoria

Dr Svenja Senkans Ameos Gruppe

Dr David Thomas Forensicare

Dr Shelley Turner Forensicare

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Dr Narda Arndt Forensic Psychologist, Consultant

Dr Aleksandra Belofastov Director Psychological Services, Forensicare Dr Amanda Nielsen Forensic and Clinical Neuropsychologist, Forensicare

Dr Rachel Campbell Senior Psychologist, Forensicare

Dr Lisa Clarke Senior Psychologist, Forensicare

Dr David Curnow Forensic Psychologist, Consultant

Dr Ramsay Dixon Clinical and Forensic Psychologist, Private Practice

Mr Chris Drake Clinical Psychologist, Private Practice

Dr Lauren Ducat Associate Principal Psychologist, Forensicare

Dr Lisa Forrester Director, Children's Court Clinic Dr Matt Frize

Director, Forensic Disability Services, Department of Families, Fairness and Housing, VIC.

Dr Bianca Levis Senior Clinical Neuropsychologist, Forensicare

Dr Rachel MacKenzie Principal Psychologist, Private Practice

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Mrs Lorrae Mynard Occupational Therapy Educator, Forensicare

Dr Chris Quinn Senior Mental Health Nurse, Forensicare

Dr Keerthana Rudhra Senior Psychologist, Forensicare

Dr Melisa Wood Principal Psychologist, Forensicare



### Research projects in Forensic Mental Health

Consumers accessing forensic mental health care often display co-occurring mental illness, problematic substance use, personality dysfunction, and social and cognitive disability that increases the likelihood of violent or offending behaviour. Specialist environments, systems and interventions are needed in prison, hospital and community settings to maintain safety while therapeutically treating the cause of offending.

Our research examines how mental illness and responsivity factors (such as cognitive impairment, personality dysfunction and trauma) influence offending and how interventions (environments, risk prediction instruments and therapy) and workforce development models in forensic mental health settings can maximise safety, recovery and reduce offending. This research is led by Dr Tessa Maguire and Dr Trentham Furness, and highlights the benefit of the Forensicare-Swinburne University of Technology partnership.

# Examining the Moroka Program: Who participates, what are the outcomes, and where could future prison-based DBT-informed interventions go?

Laura Coat, (Doctorate of Clinical and Forensic Psychology), Dist. Prof. James Ogloff, Dr Ashley Dunne, Dr Flora Gilbert, Dr Amber Fougere, Dr Margaret Nixon

### **Background:**

The Moroka Program is a is a psychological intervention program offered to people incarcerated in men's prisons in Victoria, Australia. The residential treatment aspect of the program is based in the Moroka Unit, a 10-bed purpose-built unit in a 75-bed forensic mental health precinct in Ravenhall Correctional Centre (RCC). The unit is designed to accommodate people who present with complex behaviours (e.g., self-harm, aggression) whilst in custody. The program that is implemented in the Moroka Unit is 12 weeks in length and is informed by dialectical behaviour therapy (DBT).

The purpose of the study was to evaluate the residential aspect of the Moroka Program, including understanding the characteristics of those who undertook the program, what outcomes occurred following participation in the program, and the perspectives of participants, custodial staff, and clinical staff who were involved in the program. Both quantitative and qualitative data was analysed to obtain these results. Notably, the quantitative sample size was small (n = 16), and as such, the results are preliminary.

### Key findings and implications:

- The Moroka participant sample was characterised by high rates of personality disorder (particularly antisocial personality disorder and borderline personality disorder), comorbid mental health disorders, exposure to trauma, and history of violent offending
- The outcomes were mixed there were few significant results at a group level. Results at an individual level showed that participants reported both positive and negative changes on questionnaires that measured general mental health and borderline personality disorder symptoms, and the use of emotional regulation strategies.
- There were no statistically significant changes in the use of complex behaviours (e.g., self-harm, aggression) after removing an outlier from the sample
- Participants and staff provided valuable insights and feedback regarding the program, including that:
  - The DBT-informed skills used in the Moroka Unit are a good fit for the participants, and that some skills are used effectively
  - The program would be improved if it was lengthened to at least 6 months
  - Many participants experienced barriers to engaging in program content, and that adjusting the language and using prison-based examples may improve the accessibility of the materials
  - Implementing the program and managing the Moroka Unit can be very challenging, and custodial and clinical staff would benefit from improved access to training, debriefing, supervision, and peer support

# Other projects in forensic mental health

Evaluation of a forensic mental health graduate program: A mixed methods cohort study

Dr Trentham Furness, Maicee Young, Dr Flora Gilbert, Dani Ashley, Dr Shelley Turner, Dr Aleksandra Belofastov

The Allied Health Graduate and Psychology Registrar (AHG&PR) Program was implemented at Forensicare early in 2022, with the purpose of supporting future workforce capacity building ahead of service expansion in 2024. This project aims to describe the effect of the AHG&PR program on clinicians' attitudes to recovery, resilience, reflective capacity, and stress over the course of the AHG&PR program (prior to, midway and end of program). The project will also investigate program experience and impact from the perspective of key stakeholders (program educators and program managers).

Describing forensic mental health clinicians' research attitudes, skills, knowledge, and needs: An international cross-sectional survey study

Dr Trentham Furness, Dist. Prof. James Ogloff, Dr Tessa Maguire, Prof. Michael Daffern, Maicee Young, Prof. Brian McKenna To describe the current research environment among forensic mental health settings and investigate clinicians' research attitudes, skills, knowledge and needs.

# Forensic mental health recovery and strengths: Eliciting patient and staff views to develop an inclusive practice framework

Jennifer Kirshenbaum (Doctorate of Clinical and Forensic Psychology), Assoc. Prof. Caleb D. Lloyd, Assoc. Prof. Rachel Fullam

The project aims to explore differences in clinician and forensic mental health service user perspectives on strengths/protective factors and their incorporation into a recovery model of care. A qualitative approach has been employed to identify key themes to develop a clinically relevant practice framework which is inclusive and reflective of both essential stakeholders' understandings of forensic mental health recovery to promote enhanced strengths/ protective factor discussions in this setting.

### A longitudinal study of the assessment and outcomes of forensic patients on conditional release within NSW

Panayiota Zirgilis (PhD candidate), Prof. Michael Daffern, Assoc. Prof. Caleb D. Lloyd, Dr Janet Ruffles

The project seeks to examine the personal, clinical and offence related factors that influence mental health, offending and psychosocial outcomes for Forensic Patients in NSW following conditional release into community settings. This project will provide evidence-based knowledge to inform service planning and delivery of care for forensic patients on conditional release within NSW.

### Developing Safewards Secure for mental health prison units using Nominal Group Technique

Dr Tess Maguire, Maicee Young, Monica Najda, Hannah Jackson, Jo Ryan, Dr Trentham Furness, Prof. Brian McKenna

The aim of this study was to develop a version of Safewards for bed-based prison mental health nurses. A literature review was conducted to identify relevant features of bed-based prison mental health nursing care and units, flashpoints, staff and consumer modifiers. A summary of the review was presented to participants prior to a Nominal Group Technique (NGT) with n=12 nurses and other disciplines (working in bed-based prison mental health units. The NGT was used to elicit feedback about the proposed model and achieve agreement on several questions.

### An integrative review of trauma-informed care in forensic practice

Dr Sophie Mattingly, Maicee Young, Dr Melisa Wood, Dr Aleksandra Belofastov, Dr Ahona Guha, Claudia Mulder, Dr Kate McGregor, Dr Lawrence Jones, Dr Bonnie Albrecht

The project aims to integrate and synthesise the quantitative and qualitative literature on trauma informed care in forensic practice.

Understanding 'the why': Characterising the function of aggression and self-harm in prisoners with personality disorders.

Dr Sophie Mattingley, Dr Amber Fougere, Dr Daniel Simsion, Carolyn Anderson, Dale Crook

The objective is to address the gap in the literature on functions of aggression and self-harm among forensic mental health consumers

and, in doing so, contribute to understanding of effective and targeted behaviour management in forensic mental health settings.

# Forensic mental health occupational therapy core capability framework

Maicee Young, Dr Trentham Furness, Gabrielle Pitt, Dr Tess Maguire, Lorrae Mynard

The project aims to determine the specialist capabilities required to work as a forensic occupational therapist and develop a forensic-specific occupational therapy core capability framework.

### Evolution of Victoria's community forensic mental health services: A narrative review

Dr Sobia Khan, Maicee Young

To provide an overview of Victoria's CFMHS evolution since 2007 and describe the current provisions and future pathways of the service.

# The specificity, validity, and clinical utility of criterion A of the alternative model of personality disorders for antisocial personality disorder

Nathan Akoka (Doctorate of Clinical and Forensic Psychology), Prof. Michael Daffern, Dr Ashley Dunne, Assoc. Prof. Gill Bedi

This project investigates the specificity, validity, and clinical utility of the Levels of Personality Functioning Scale (LPFS; i.e., Criterion A of the Alternative Model of Personality Disorders in the DSM-5) to assess self-other problems related to antisocial personality disorder (ASPD) and antisocial behaviours (e.g., offending). A comparison between the LPFS and ASPD disorder specific impairment measures will

determine which assessment instruments have greater validity and utility to assess antisociality. Furthermore, the relationship between self-other personality dysfunction constructs associated with ASPD and antisocial behaviour (e.g., psychopathy constructs, early maladaptive schemas, schema modes, antisocial attitudes, aggression) with the LPFS will be investigated to determine construct validity of the LPFS for assessing antisociality. Approximately 80 participants of 100 have been recruited.

## Enhancing forensic assessment through trauma-informed practices

Rachel Binns (Doctorate of Clinical and Forensic Psychology), Assoc. Prof. Ashley Batastini, Prof. Michael Daffern

To explore the extent that trauma-informed practices are implemented into forensic psychological assessment, and what role assessment modality might play in individual's perceptions of assessments.

# Investigating the quality and reliability of case formulations among Australian forensic practitioners

Mahmoud Ghamraoui (Doctorate of Clinical and Forensic Psychology), Prof. Troy McEwan, Dr Nichola Tyler

The project aims to (1) evaluate the overall quality of forensic formulations developed by Australian forensic practitioners against international standards and examine whether formulation quality differs between practitioners depending on experience, prior training, and potentially discipline, (2) investigate whether the quality of case formulations can be improved through forensic formulation training and

sustained from a training environment into a practice environment over the medium term, and (3) evaluate the reliability of forensic case formulations of the same case by different practitioners exposed to the same formulation training, and examine whether reliability is affected by practitioner experience, discipline and prior training.

# Assessment and treatment of neurocognitive impairments among forensic mental health inpatients

Han-Mari Cronje (Doctorate of Clinical and Forensic Psychology), Dr Maragaret Nixon, Prof. Susan Rossell, Dr Nik Loft

The study aims to examine the prevalence and nature of cognitive impairments among Thomas Embling Hospital inpatients and its association with problem behaviour and functioning, as well as neuropsychological practice at the hospital

### Evaluation of the Boundary Seesaw Workshop – Core Concepts (BSW-CC) training

Samuel Crowley (Doctorate of Clinical and Forensic Psychology), Prof. Michael Daffern, Dr Ashley Dunne

The project aims to evaluate the effectiveness of the Boundary Seesaw Workshop – Core Concepts (BSWCC) training on staff attitudes toward, awareness, and knowledge of professional boundary issues and boundary management.

### Trauma-informed approaches to presentence reports

Isabella Cook (Doctorate of Clinical and Forensic Psychology), Assoc. Prof. Ashley Batastini, Dr Nina Papalia This project centres around trauma-informed approaches to pre-sentence reports. This will involve a retrospective examination of psychological and psychiatric pre-sentence reports to understand how trauma is conceptualised, referenced, and formulated within a report, in relation to offending behaviour.

### Communication difficulties in forensic mental health inpatients

Elia Gibbons (Doctorate of Clinical and Forensic Psychology), Dr Maragaret Nixon, Dr Nichola Tyler, Dr Kate McGregor

This project aims to examine the instances of communication difficulties in a sample of forensic inpatients at Thomas Embling Hospital. Reports from the neuropsychologist and speech pathology services at the hospital will be retrospectively reviewed to examine the frequency and nature of communications difficulties in patients, the information provided to clinical staff in these reports, and how this information is used to inform treatment and management plans as part of patient care. Surveys and interviews with treating team staff will explore the way information about communication difficulties has informed care plans. This mixed methods study aims to assess the contribution of speech pathology assessment for forensic patients, as well as the impact such information might have on incidents, engagement with treatment, and treatment completion.

### Research projects in Aggression and Violence

Acts of aggression and violence such as assault, homicide, and sexual violence, represent some of the most harmful of all antisocial behaviours. These acts are also associated with substantial personal and social harms and have an enormous financial impact, costing economies billions of dollars each year in health care, legal and justice system costs, absenteeism from work and lost productivity. Accordingly, a key area of our research program, led by Professor Michael Daffern, focuses on the development of violence prevention and intervention programs.

# Acute Dynamic Risk Assessment Program, DRAOR and SDAC-21 case management tools implementation and evaluation

Assoc.Prof. Caleb D. Lloyd, Dr Darcy Coulter, Dr Ariel Stone, Dr Benjamin Spivak

#### **Background:**

When people are case-managed on community supervision (probation or parole), supervision officers consider each individual's progress self-managing their personal risk for crime (stable criminogenic risks), the triggers that might create life de-stabilisation and imminent return to crime (acute dynamic risks), and the desistance-encouraging features that have potential to propel the individual into a long-term crime-free life (protective strength factors). In Victoria, case managers formalise their repeated assessment of these important domains using a structured case management tool, the Dynamic Risk Assessment for Offender Reentry (DRAOR).

After Associate Professor Caleb Lloyd assisted Corrections Victoria to implement DRAOR into standard parole and post-sentence practice, this project evaluated whether DRAOR ratings are related to recidivism outcomes. Using DRAOR scores drawn from over 2,000 of adults on parole, we evaluated whether ongoing assessments (more than 34,000 scores) using Level of Service/Risk, Need, Responsivity (LS/RNR) and DRAOR scores helped identify risk for recidivism and timing of recidivism (both general and violent recidivism). Following this first phase of evaluation, we developed and submitted a grant proposal in partnership with Victoria and Queensland to extend these analyses. If funded, the future project will further examine the trajectories of changing risk and strength factors to develop clearer guidance about when case managing supervision officers can best intervene on which risk factors to reduce risk.

#### Key findings and implications:

• DRAOR Acute scores identify needs related to immediate recidivism risk.

• Case managers must consider acute dynamic risk factors within the context of long-term risk. Attending to criminal history, criminogenic needs, and acute dynamic risk factors are each necessary for effective case management.

In other words, case managers should specifically attend to regularly reassessed acute dynamic risk factors among people identified as having higher long-term risk and greater stable needs.

# Other projects exploring aggression and violence

Re-examining the predictive validity of the Dynamic Appraisal of Situational Aggression: Youth version

Dr Tess Maguire, Assoc. Prof. Steve Bowe, Dr John Kasanathian, Prof. Michael Daffern

This study re-analyses an existing data set using contemporary robust data analytic procedures to examine the predictive validity of the DASA: YV, and to determine appropriate risk bands. Mixed effect logistic regression models were used to determine whether the DASA: YV predicted aggression when the observations are correlated.

# Exploring the utility of a novel approach of evaluating application of a validated violence risk assessment instrument

Dr Tess Maguire, Prof. Michael Daffern, Prof. Georgina Willetts, Prof. Brian McKenna

Validated instruments such as the Dynamic Appraisal of Situational Aggression (DASA), can aid risk assessment. However, limited attention has been paid to evaluating nurses' ability to administer risk assessment instruments. An Entrustable Professional Activity may offer way of evaluating risk assessment clinical activities. DASA trainers' perceptions of the value and utility of an EPA were explored via collection of data through focus groups, with 17 participants from six countries.

Testing an Entrustable Professional Activity to allow evaluation of the administration of the Dynamic Appraisal of Situational Aggression: A qualitative enquiry

Dr Tess Maguire, Prof. Michael Daffern, Prof. Georgina Willetts, Prof. Brian McKenna

The Dynamic Appraisal of Situational Aggression (DASA) is a risk assessment instrument designed to assess risk of imminent inpatient aggression. No formalised framework exists to determine proficiency in assessment. An Entrustable Professional Activity (EPA) may offer a suitable evaluation method. In this study data were collected via observation of a simulation, where after DASA training, participants administered DASA assessments and received feedback using an EPA. Data were also collected via a follow-up focus group.

# Adapting the Model for Understanding Inpatient Aggression for generalist mental health services

Dr Tess Maguire, Courtney Dunn, Assoc. Prof. Andrew Carroll, Prof. Michael Daffern

The Model for Understanding Inpatient Aggression ("the model") was developed for use in a forensic mental health service to understand and prevent aggression by exploring distal and proximal intrinsic patient-level 'personal' factors and extrinsic 'contextual' factors' - structural, organisational and interpersonal. The model also incorporates exploration of 'near miss events' when aggression does not occur, to learn about aggression and support early use of effective intervention strategies. This study explored the model with nurses and a Consumer Lived Experience expert from general mental health services to determine if the model is suitable for use in these settings.

### Development of Entrustable Professional Activities to enhance use of the Dynamic Appraisal of Situational Aggression

Dr Tess Maguire, Dr Trentham Furness, Prof. Brian McKenna, Dr Georgia Willetts, Prof. Michael Daffern

This study aims to seek feedback about the DASA EPA and EPA scale using a group of experts in DASA training and to test the DASA EPA by recruiting prevention and management of aggression trainers from across the state of Victoria, providing them with DASA training, EPA training and then offering the trainers the chance to practice the DASA EPA assessment using simulation actors.

# Examining Aggression Prevention Interventions in Acute Mental Health Inpatient Units

Gracie Tan-Singh (Doctorate of Clinical and Forensic Psychology), Prof. Michael Daffern, Dr Tessa Maguire

This research investigates strategies to prevent aggression in acute mental health inpatient units, addressing a critical issue faced by healthcare professionals who are among the occupations most exposed to workplace violence. The study evaluates the efficacy of aggression prevention interventions, specifically the De-escalation, Intervention, Early Response Team (DIvERT) and the Dynamic Appraisal of Situational Aggression + Aggression Prevention Protocol (DASA+APP), in reducing aggression incidents and the use of restrictive practices like seclusion and restraint, in Melbourne, Australia. Using a mixed-methods approach, it combines quantitative measures of aggression rates and restrictive interventions with qualitative feedback from staff on the use of aggression prevention interventions. The research aims to inform evidence-based practices that enhance safety for both staff and patients while fostering a therapeutic environment in mental health inpatient settings. Currently, this study is ongoing, with findings expected to contribute significantly to improving aggression management protocols in acute mental health settings.

### Research projects in Complex Criminal Behaviour

Our research in Complex Criminal Behaviour is led by Professor Troy McEwan. This stream brings together our research into stalking, harmful sexual behaviour, family violence, deliberate fire-setting and radicalisation and extremism. All aspects have complex psychological and social determinants, making these important areas in which to develop knowledge about prevention and intervention. Our research investigates why these behaviours occur (or are sustained) and what approaches may be most effective for managing them.

# Understanding and Responding Effectively to Online Child Sexual Exploitation (OCSE) Offending

Dist. Prof. James Ogloff, Prof. Denny Meyer, Prof. Jonathon Clough, Dr Marie Henshaw, Dr Reneta Slikboer, Assoc. Prof. Caleb Lloyd, Dr Joel McGregor, Assoc. Prof. Rajan Darjee

Student researchers: Dr Erika Fortunato, Emma Norgate, Richard Burton and Daniel King

#### **Background:**

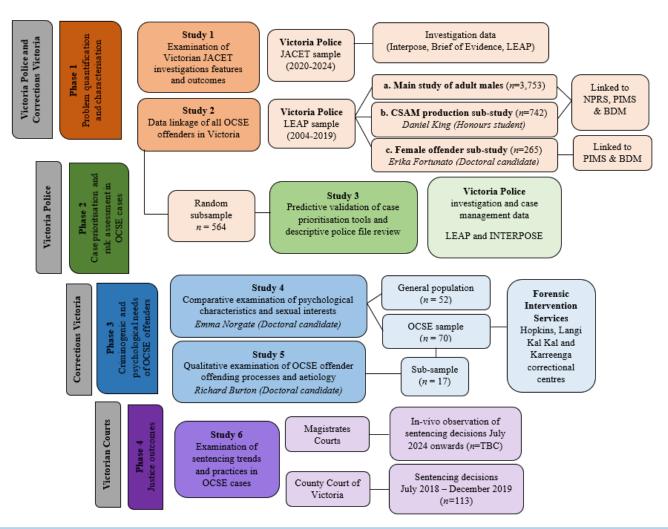
Online and technology-facilitated child sexual exploitation is a concern that continues to increase and shift in nature alongside the growing capacities of the Internet and related technologies. While early concerns related to increasing rates of accessing and sharing of child sexual abuse material (CSAM) online, more recent forms of offending include the production of CSAM featuring real or 'virtual' children, online sexual communication with children, the online streaming of offline sexual abuse, and the sexual extortion of children for sexual and/or financial purposes. However, the former group have been the focus of most research to date, with less comprehensive research into the offending trajectories, risk profiles, and best-practice criminal justice responses associated with wider forms of OCSE.

This gap provided the impetus for a large-scale program of research into OCSE funded by the Australian Research Council Linkage Grant Program in collaboration with Monash University, Victoria Police, Corrections Victoria and the Australian Institute of Criminology. The project comprises eight studies that collectively aim to enhance (1) knowledge of the offending patterns and trajectories of individuals who engage in OCSE; and (2) practice across policing investigation and case management processes, correctional risk assessment and intervention approaches, and sentencing decisions.

The program of research employs diverse methodologies including large-scale data extraction and linkage frameworks across criminal justice databases, direct collection of survey and interview data among people with a history of OCSE offences, and in-vivo data collection during OCSE sentencing hearings. To date, data collection has been completed across most studies, with analysis and dissemination of preliminary findings underway.

### Key findings and implications:

- People with CSAM offences reoffend sexually at lower rates (2.5%) than individuals with CSAM production (9.6%), grooming and sexual communication (9.2%), dual (online and offline; 8.6%), and offline contact (7.6%) offences. This suggests that CEM-only individuals have distinct characteristics and needs, while there may be greater overlap between those who engage in other forms of OCSE and offline child sexual abuse.
- Most CSAM production is perpetrated by sexual offending 'specialists'; however, the number
  of individuals with a 'generalist' criminal history has increased over time, suggesting greater
  heterogeneity in risk profiles and needs among contemporary samples involved in CSAM
  production.
- Females known for engaging in OCSE possess overlapping characteristics with both males known for OCSE and females with offline sexual offence histories, including similar recidivism rates. However, some distinct patterns exist, suggesting that existing research and practices pertaining to OCSE and female sexual offending should be applied with caution.
- Sexual, interpersonal and emotional difficulties are key contributors to the onset of OCSE behaviours. However, the opportunity afforded by the online environment for repeated exposure to both content and networks that normalize the sexualization of children appears to play a key role in the maintenance and progression of OCSE offending.



# Other projects examining complex criminal behaviour

### An exploration of underlying psychological drivers of online child sexual exploitation

Emma Norgate (Doctorate of Clinical and Forensic Psychology), Dist. Prof. James Ogloff, Dr Marie Henshaw, Dr Rajan Darjee

This project aims to explore the psychological characteristics of individuals who have committed online child sexual exploitation (OCSE) offences and compare these across offence behaviour subgroups and with non-offending individuals. Further, the project aims to explore whether sexual deviance differs among individuals who have committed OCSE offences based on the type of offending behaviour.

# What leads people to disengage from problematic stalking behaviours?

Alicia Yokoyama (Doctorate of Clinical and Forensic Psychology), Prof. Troy McEwan, Dr Margaret Nixon

This study aims to develop an account of the psychological processes that lead someone to disengage from problematic stalking behaviour. Through characterising psychological motivations driving stalking and subsequent disengagement from stalking, we may inform further areas of research into this phenomenon and offer influence on interventions to reduce the recurrence of stalking behaviour.

# Understanding effective management of stalking offending: What works?

Catie Bridgeman (Doctorate of Clinical and Forensic Psychology), Prof. Troy McEwan, Dr Margaret Nixon

This project will conduct a prospective longitudinal study of individuals who have engaged in stalking behaviour to assess predictors of recidivism at 5-and-10-years post offence, as well as a qualitative case series of victims of stalking and police informant. The project aims to understand the differences among those who continue stalking and those who are no longer represented in recent offending data.

## Best outcomes for young people who engage in harmful sexual behaviour

Karla Dubaniewicz (Doctorate of Clinical and Forensic Psychology), Prof. Michael Daffern, Assoc. Prof. Rachael Fullam

In partnership with Kids First, the proposed research will measure the impact of interventions provided to young people who engage in Harmful Sexual Behaviour.

# Preventing repeat child exploitation material offending: An international evaluation of the CEM-COPE program

Dr Marie Henshaw, Dr Reneta Sliboer, Dr Joel McGregor, Assoc. Prof.. Rajan Darjee, Dist. Prof. James Ogloff

This project comprises a preliminary evaluation of the CEM-COPE Program – an offence-specific group intervention for people involved in child exploitation material (CEM) offences - across three forensic/correctional services in Australia, Canada and Ohio. Pre/post-treatment clinical data and program feedback data is currently being collected from program participants to assess the ability of the program to bring about positive psychological change relevant to CEM reoffending. Future phases of the project aim to incorporate a control group and examine impacts of the program on CEM reoffending.

# Understanding and responding to online child sexual exploitation offenders

Dist. Prof. James Ogloff, Prof. Danny Meyer, Prof. Jonathon Clough, Dr Marie Henshaw, Dr Reneta Slikboer, Assoc. Prof. Caleb Lloyd, Dr Joel McGregor, Assoc. Prof. Rajan Darjee

This program of research is funded by the Australian Research Council Linkage Grant Program in collaboration with Monash University, Victoria Police, Corrections Victoria and the Australian Institute of Criminology. It comprises several studies aimed at (1) enhancing knowledge of the offending patterns and trajectories of individuals who engage in online child sexual exploitation offences and (2) informing practice across policing investigation and case management processes, correctional risk assessment and intervention practices, and sentencing decisions. Data collection is complete across most studies, with analysis and dissemination underway.

### Training development and implementation for the CPRMv3

Prof. Troy McEwan, Assoc. Prof. Rachael Fullam, Dr Benjamin Spivak

Develop and support implementation of a new version of the Case Prioritisation Review, an SPJ guideline for discretionary case prioritization decisions by specialist family violence police.

# Developing socio-cultural evidence-based assessment and intervention protocols to reduce deliberate fire setting in New Zealand

Dr Nichola Tyler, Prof. Tony Ward, Prof. Theresa A. Gannon Despite the significant impacts associated with deliberate firesetting, very little is known about those who set fires and effective ways to reduce this behaviour across different socio-cultural contexts. This project aims to catalyse the development and adaptation of assessments and interventions to reduce firesetting within Aotearoa New Zealand. Specifically, the research aims to examine the characteristics of firesetting adults and validate an existing assessment of fire-related interests, attitudes, and associations to inform assessment and intervention in the Aotearoa New Zealand context.

### Risk and risk assessment of deliberate firesetting

Sinead Cloonan-Thomas (Doctorate of Clinical and Forensic Psychology), Dr Nichola Tyler, Dr Lauren ducat, Prof. Troy McEwan

Deliberate firesetting is a complex and harmful behaviour that has significant consequences to the health and wellbeing of individuals, families, and communities. This research aims to in investigate risk factors associated with deliberate firesetting in order to improve prevention and intervention strategies to reduce this behaviour. This research also seeks to examine current risk assessment approaches to deliberate firesetting to assess the validity and efficacy of these approaches.

# The relationship between lone actor grievance-fuelled violence and family violence

Alannah Cooper (Doctorate of Clinical and Forensic Psychology), Prof. Troy McEwan

To review any associations between lone actor grievance-fuelled violence/homicide (LAGFV/H) and family violence/homicide.

## Development of an offence process model for stalking

Emma Field (Doctorate of Clinical and Forensic Psychology), Prof. Troy McEwan, Dr Nichola Tyler

The project aims to develop the first offence process model of stalking.

### Understanding trajectories and types of sexual homicide offenders

Aleshia Nanev (Doctorate of Clinical and Forensic Psychology), Dr Margaret Nixon, Assoc. Prof. Rajan Darjee, Dr Michael Davies

This project aims to evaluate the reliability and validity of sexual homicide typologies in a sample of Australian and New Zealand perpetrators. It also seeks to develop a new typology to best explain the heterogenous nature of such offenders.

# Sparking change: Understanding risk and protective factors for young people who set fires

Aimee Reed (Doctorate of Clinical and Forensic Psychology), Dr Nichola Tyler, Dr Margaret Nixon

This thesis is being conducted as part of a broader program of research that aims to examine the assessment and correlates of problem behaviours among justice-involved youth. Using a data linkage design and a sample of justice-involved youth recruited from the Victorian Children's Court Clinic, this research aims to 1) identify factors that distinguish firesetting and non-firesetting youth, 2) examine the trajectories of their offending and those

factors than predict onset, recidivism and desistance, and 3) ascertain the suitability of a general risk assessment instrument for evaluating risk of reoffending among firesetting youth. The results of this research will assist in providing clinicians with knowledge around potential risk and protective factors for firesetting among justice-involved youth, as well as improved understanding of appropriate risk assessment protocols for assessing youth firesetting.



### Research projects in Psychology and Legal Processes

In many areas of the justice system, the law makes assumptions about human behaviour. These include standards for the mental competence of individuals to stand trial, the ability of jurors to understand the law, consistency in sentencing, and the accuracy of witness testimony. Where these assumptions are wrong, the consequences can be extremely serious and lead to unjust outcomes. Psychological research can be used to examine these assumptions and determine approaches to bring the law in line with a realistic understanding of human psychology. Research in this area is led by Dr Benjamin Spivak, Dr Michael Trood and Dist. Prof. James Ogloff.

### Investigating the impact of remand on justice and mental health outcomes, and enhancing risk assessments in bail contexts in Australia

#### **Investigators**

Swinburne University of Technology: Distinguished Professor James Ogloff (AM), Professor Michael Daffern, Dr. Benjamin Spivak, and Dr Michael Trood

Deakin University: Professor Marilyn McMahon

Griffith University: Dr Carleen Thompson and Dr James Ogilvie

#### **Background:**

Over the past three decades, Australia has witnessed a significant surge of 160% in its incarceration rates. This rise is chiefly attributed to the increased detention of unsentenced individuals denied bail and remanded into custody pending trial, rather than an escalation in crime rates. Notably, the number of individuals on remand has more than tripled during this period, surpassing trends observed in similar legal systems globally, such as the United Kingdom and Canada.

The decision to remand a person into custody pending trial has implications for public safety and individual rights. Although the impact of remand has gained increasing importance given adverse coronial findings, no Australian studies have examined the health, mental health, and justice impacts of remand. This project seeks to examine the effect of remand on future health, mental health, crime, and justice outcomes in bail contexts in New South Wales (NSW) and Queensland (QLD). It will also examine the factors associated with bail decisions and develop mathematical models designed to accurately forecast bail release outcomes and reduce demographic disparities.

This comprehensive research initiative aims to address these gaps by investigating the impact of remand on individual outcomes and evaluating the utility of risk assessments in bail contexts in New South Wales and Queensland. It has garnered support from the NSW Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research (BOCSAR) and the Supreme, District, and Magistrates' Courts in QLD and will be conducted in consultation with First Nations community representatives.

#### Method

To address these aims, the health, mental health, welfare, and justice data for the approximately 145,000 individuals who applied for bail in a NSW or QLD court in the years 2016 to 2023 will be linked. Once collected, the data will be used to assess the impact of the decision to remand on subsequent health (e.g., admissions), mental health (e.g., service use), welfare (e.g., income support), and justice (e.g., arrests) outcomes over a 24-month period following a remand hearing. The linked dataset will also be used to prospectively evaluate the predictive capability of risk assessments concerning future offending and court non-appearance among the participants.

# Other projects in psychology and legal processes

# Identifying the malingering defendant: An examination of malingering in Australian evaluations of fitness to stand trial

Nishant Krishnan (Doctorate of Clinical and Forensic Psychology), Dist. Prof. James Ogloff, Dr Janet Ruffles, Dr Michael Trood, Dr Grant Blake

This research project aims to identify an empirically robust measure of malingered psychopathology and cognitive impairment, and validate this measure with an Australian simulation sample. The resultant malingering screening battery will potentially serve as an addendum to the Australia and New Zealand Evaluation of Fitness to Stand Trial – Revised measure.

### Investigating the effects of varying jury directions

Dr Michael Trood, Dist. Prof. James Ogloff, Prof. Jonathan Clough, Dr Benjamin Spivak

This project investigates the impact that different types of jury instructions have on decision-making in criminal trials by surveying jurors from Australia and New Zealand and examining the outcomes of their trials.

### The deterrent effect of arrest on family violence

Jessica Cornish (Doctorate of Clinical and Forensic Psychology), Dr Benjamin Spivak, Prof. Troy McEwan

A considerable number of studies have examined whether mandatory arrest policies in relation to domestic violence can reduce repeated perpetration. These studies have shown mixed results, but have suffered from some methodological limitations. This project seeks to apply a novel design that overcomes these limitations to assess whether arrest can reduce family violence.



# Research projects in Childhood Maltreatment and Youth Offending

Child maltreatment is a leading contributor to the development of a range of mental disorders, drug use, self-injurious behaviour and suicide attempts, and behavioural disturbances among children and adolescents. Our researchers focus on identifying the individual, family and contextual factors that place maltreated children at greatest risk of developing early mental health and behavioural disorders. The work in this stream is led by Dr Nina Papalia.

# Child victims: Providing protection from re-victimisation and future offending

Dr Benjamin Spivak, Prof. Troy McEwan, Dist. Prof. James Ogloff

#### **Background:**

This project aims to improve understanding of the impact of child abuse, neglect and exposure to domestic violence on young people's future experiences of re-victimisation and offending. It expects to generate new evidence about the maltreatment experiences that increase risk of youth re-victimisation and offending, potential causal mechanisms and factors that might aggravate or buffer children from these harmful effects. Expected outcomes include increased knowledge to inform effective policy and interventions aimed at identifying at-risk children and meeting young people's needs related to adverse legal outcomes. This should help improve public safety, reduce the economic impact of maltreatment and support vulnerable children to thrive.

# Other projects examining childhood maltreatment and youth offending

Advancing risk assessment in cases of child maltreatment: an analysis of current practices in the Children's Court of Victoria

Caitlin Cohen (Doctorate of Clinical and Forensic Psychology), Dr Benjamin Spivak, Dr Nina Papalia, Dr Abigail Sheed, Dr Maddison Riachi, Dr Harry Dent This project aims to (1) advance knowledge of characteristics and circumstances that increase the risk of child maltreatment occurring and re-occurring, (2) explore the effectiveness of structured professional judgement instruments as an alternative method for assessing risk of child maltreatment in child protection and (3) advance knowledge of the magistrate's role in evaluating risk of child maltreatment, including their perceptions of risk factors and how this effects subsequent decision-making.

# Examining the relationship between childhood maltreatment and subsequent re-victimisation

Samuel Scott-Palmer (PhD), Dr Nina Papalia, Dr Benjamin Spivak, Prof. James Ogloff

This PhD study aims to assess the association between childhood maltreatment and revictimisation as well as the mediating/moderating role of key variables (e.g., personal/individual variables and lifestyle factors).

# Intellectual disability among court involved children and families in cases of child maltreatment

Rhiannon Morley (Doctorate of Clinical and Forensic Psychology), Dr Margaret Nixon, Dr Abigail Sheed

The aim of this thesis is to examine factors contributing to the overrepresentation of families with either a parental or child diagnosis of intellectual disability (ID) in the child protection system and to strengthen our understanding of risk and protective factors associated with these families in cases of child maltreatment. Further to this, this thesis seeks to explore the court trajectory of families with ID, compared to other court involved families.

# Responsivity factors in young people who are exhibiting problematic behaviours

Nathan Pham (Doctorate of Clinical and Forensic Psychology), Dr Margaret Nixon, Dr Nichola Tyler, Dr Michael Trood

The aim of this thesis is to examine the nature of specific responsivity factors (cognitive disabilities, neurodivergence and personality function) in a group of young people referred to the Youth Forensic Specialist Services (YFSS) and any association with problematic behaviours such as firesetting, violence, harmful sexual behaviours and stalking. The study aims to identify how responsivity factors may contribute to risk for these behaviours in young people. The study will link clinical data with police and health data in the pre and post assessment period to examine the impact of responsivity factors on trajectories, and identify potential opportunities for early intervention.



### Research projects in Culture, Psychology and Law

Australia and the multicultural composition of the criminal justice system is changing, which has ramifications for forensic practice. Culture can shape an individual's worldview, norms, motivations, beliefs, expected behaviours and practices. It can also influence health-seeking behaviours, treatment considerations and how individuals interact with clinical and correctional service providers. It is therefore critical that we ensure that our professional methods are culturally fair, relevant and non-discriminatory at the intersection of psychology and law. Our work in this area is led by Dr Benjamin Spivak.

# Understanding Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander women's connection to their social and emotional wellbeing from early life to incarceration

April Goldring (Doctorate of Clinical and Forensic Psychology), Assoc. Prof. Caleb D. Lloyd, Dr Justin Trounson, Assoc. Prof. Sadie Heckenberg

#### **Background:**

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples are highly overrepresented in every phase of the Australian justice system. Despite this, there has been little research exploring the wellbeing and experiences of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women in correctional facilities. This research seeks to gain a deeper understanding of the lived experiences of Indigenous women across their life from early childhood to their current incarceration. The study explores the complex intersectionality of experiences on how the justice system's involvement exacerbates the Social and Emotional Wellbeing challenges faced by these women and their communities. Given the ongoing overrepresentation of Indigenous Peoples in the Australian justice system, which stems from a combination of historical and contemporary factors, and by acknowledging that this issue is multifaceted, the study will investigate how incarceration intersects with, and often deepens, these challenges.

The research adopts a strengths-based approach and integrates Indigenous methodologies and methods to ensure cultural safety and respect for Indigenous ways of knowing, being and doing. This project is designed to facilitate at a minimum three interactions with each woman who volunteers to be part of the research study lasting approximately 60-90 minutes each interaction. Yarns will encourage exploration of themes around strengths and challenges related to maintaining social and emotional wellbeing. By focusing on their narratives, this research seeks to provide a platform for these women to share their truths and contribute valuable insight and perspective into the broader conversation about justice, wellbeing, and Indigenous reform.

#### **Key implications:**

This research aims to inform policy, training, and strength-based interventions that are sensitive to gender, cultural, and diversity considerations, contributing to the ongoing dialogue on improving justice system responses to Indigenous women and enhancing their wellbeing in correctional facilities.

# Other projects examining culture, psychology and law

## Examining fairness in intimate partner and family violence risk assessment

Houda Boucetta (Doctorate of Clinical and Forensic Psychology), Dr Benjamin Spivak, Prof. Troy McEwan

The question of whether risk assessments exhibit patterns of racial or gender bias has become a central topic of concern in recent years. In the field of intimate partner and family violence, the use of risk assessments has become more commonplace to guide intervention and target law enforcement responses. However, there has been little research examining whether the use of these assessments is biased against people on the basis of their demographic characteristics (e.g. race, gender, disability status). This project will aim to contribute to this area by determining whether a family violence risk assessment used by Victoria Police – the VP-SAFvR, demonstrates different levels of accuracy for various demographic sub-groups (age, sex, country of birth, disability status, Aboriginal status, and socio-economic profile). In addition, the project aims to examine the extent to which accuracy changes on the basis of intersectionality (e.g. do female CALD users of family violence have poorer accuracy than male CALD users of family violence?).

## The impact of policy changes in police cautioning on practice

Dr Benjamin Spivak, Dr Michael Trood, Dr Nina Papalia, Prof. Stephane Shepherd, Dr Molly McCarthy, Dr Mohamed Ali

Formal police cautions offer a promising means of diverting youth at early stages of justice system involvement. However, they have faced criticism from politicians and media outlets, contributing to a decline in their usage in various jurisdictions. Concerns persist regarding discretion in cautioning practices and disparities, notably in their application among Aboriginal young people and marginalized communities. This mixed methods project aims to examine a 2021 change in Victoria Police policy which expanded the eligibility criteria for cautioning to determine what impact this had on a) improving the rate of cautioning; b) reducing the disparity in cautioning rates between Aboriginal young people and other marginalised communities; c) subsequent justice involvement among young people.



# Research projects in Rehabilitation, Reintegration and Offender Management

Research consistently concludes that a correctional system is effective when it makes human service a top priority. Human service includes rehabilitation (programming that targets the reasons people stay involved in crime), reintegration (preparing and assisting people to successfully transition to the community after prison), and management (making well-informed decisions about which people pose risk to others and how to address that risk). Our team, led by Dr Caleb Lloyd, draw on these empirical traditions to design, evaluate and support human service within contemporary corrections.

# Assessing Emotions as Acute Risk Factors for Crime: Probation Officers Identify and Respond More Effectively to Problems with Negative Mood than Anger

Dr Ariel Stone, Assoc. Prof. Caleb Lloyd, Jacinta Taylor

#### **Background:**

When people are sentenced to community supervision (probation or parole), supervision officers assume a dual role, supporting clients' reintegration into the community and imposing formal limits on their autonomy. Both control- and support-oriented aspects of the dual role require supervision officers to monitor clients' risk for recidivism and intervene when risk is elevated. Dynamic risk assessment tools facilitate this process by guiding officers to identify risk factors proven to predict recidivism, and some contemporary risk assessment tools explicitly guide assessors to infer treatment needs from the risk factors identified.

Despite this, we found little prior research evidence that details how supervision officers respond when assessments indicate risk factors are present nor whether their interventions reduce risk presentation or recidivism. In this study, officers supervising 245 individuals on state or federal community corrections orders assessed risk using the Dynamic Risk Assessment for Offender Re-entry (DRAOR) across multiple assessment occasions (N = 2050 assessments). Each time officers scored an acute risk factor as a "possible" or "definite problem", they were prompted to select interventions they used to target that risk factor from a drop-down menu. We focused on two emotions-based risk factors: anger and negative mood.

We coded these reported interventions as either support-oriented (e.g., using cognitive behavioural techniques, providing program referrals, offering emotional support) or controloriented (e.g., involving consequences, warnings, increased monitoring) and tested how frequently officers reported using different interventions. We then examined whether reported interventions predicted change in the trajectories of emotional risk factor ratings, using Shared Random Effects Modelling (SREM), and whether interventions were associated with recidivism, incremental to overall risk for recidivism, using Cox regression with timevarying predictors.

#### **Key implications:**

- Supervision officers typically reported using at least one intervention after identifying negative mood or anger/hostility as problems. Prompts may be effective for this purpose.
- When officers reported using control-oriented interventions to target negative mood or anger/hostility, this was not associated with change in later ratings of the same risk factors.
- When officers reported using support-oriented interventions to target negative mood, interventions predicted later improvements in ratings of clients' negative mood.
   However, when officers reported using support-oriented interventions to target anger/hostility, interventions predicted later increases in ratings of clients' anger/hostility.
- When targeting anger/hostility, reported use of neither support- nor control-oriented interventions predicted recidivism incremental to overall recidivism risk.
- When targeting negative mood, reported use of support-oriented interventions predicted lower recidivism risk. However, the reduction was greater when officers rated negative mood as a "possible problem", rather than as a "definite problem". When targeting negative mood, reported use of control-oriented interventions predicted increased recidivism risk when negative mood was rated as a "possible problem" but predicted decreased recidivism risk when rated as a "definite problem".
- Supervision officers may be responding to and intervening more effectively to negative mood than anger, in that some targeted interventions predicted decreases in negative mood and reduced recidivism risk. Although officers' interventions targeting anger predicted worsening anger, this was not associated with increased risk of recidivism.
- Researchers should pursue study designs that enable more rigorous hypothesis testing to unpack risk assessment tools' application to risk management.

# Other projects examining rehabilitation, reintegration and offender management

Improving Community Corrections Practice with Use of a Case Management Tool: The Dynamic Risk Assessment for Offender Reentry (DRAOR)

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Community case management practice inherently raises several important questions about clients on supervision, for example: (a) How can supervision officers best assess and manage the actively changing (and volatile) nature of people's transitions from prison to the community?, (b) What are a client's "triggers" to re-offend?, (c) Has the client demonstrated gains from their prior rehabilitation experiences, and are these gains being maintained or lost?, and (d) Is there a way to orient clients toward long-term success? The Dynamic Risk Assessment for Offender Re-entry (DRAOR) is a 19-item case management tool that assists the assessment of stable risk factors, acute risk factors, and protective factors in the post-release, community context.

## Offender decision making and desistance from crime

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The first aim of this study is to conduct focus groups with people on probation to elicit their thoughts about what leads them to decisions to commit crime or resist crime. The second aim of this study is to observe thinking styles across

time. To inform rehabilitation and management, analyses will examine the relationship between thinking styles and recidivism.

# Protective factors and their relationship with risk factors when predicting recidivism

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Clinicians and clients typically prefer a strengths-based approach to risk management. Many researchers and clinicians have adopted strengths-based language into their offender management practice. However, the definition, meaning, and function of protective factors is debated in the literature. The purpose of these series of studies is to describe and test the interrelationships between protective factors, risk factors, and recidivism.

# The experience of reintegration from prison for women with cognitive disabilities

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The aim of this study is to develop a profile of formerly incarcerated women with cognitive disabilities, along with gaining an understanding of whether their reintegration needs differ from other populations (e.g. formerly incarcerated men with cognitive disabilities, formerly incarcerated women). Developing these understandings will help assess whether existing support models adequately meet this cohort's needs. The project is comprised of three studies, a systematic review, a survey study and a qualitative study, to enhance understanding and support for this group.

# Violence risk, protective factors, and desistance in Australian court Involved Young People

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The current thesis aims to facilitate further understanding of the interplay between risk and protective factors, and how this relates to factors underpinning desistance in court and justiceinvolved young people within an Australian context. It also seeks to explore how these factors may differ for young people of different ethnic and sex-based subgroups. The current thesis aims to investigate this through (1) conducting a systematic review of the desistance literature, and (2) validating the use of the Structure Assessment of Violence Risk in Youth (SAVRY) and investigating the incremental predictive validity of the inclusion of the Structured Assessment of Protective Factors for Violence Risk-Youth Version (SAPROF-YV), within a sample of court-involved Australian young people.



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### Conferences (keynote)

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**Lantta, T.** (2024, May). *How implementation science could help us reduce coercion from the perspective of her Finnish projects and the FOSTREN review.* Holmen Conference Frivillighet og Tvang, Oslo, Norway.

**Maguire, T.** (2023, September). *Enhancing forensic mental health nursing practice. Structuring risk assessment and intervention to prevent aggression and reduce restrictive interventions*. 18th Biennial Custody and Caring Conference, Saskatoon, Canada.

**Maguire, T.** (2023, October). *Decision making: Instruments to inform/enhance care pathways*. ENTMA Symposium, Edinburgh, Scotland.

**Maguire, T.** (2023, October). *Nursing risk assessment and intervention using the eDASA + APP*. Prevenzione e Gestione del Comportamento Aggressivo in Psichiatria: Approcci non Coercitivi, online.

**Pathé, M. T.** (2023, August). *Sovereign citizens: A guide to comprehending the incomprehensible*. Queensland Supreme & District Court Judges Conference, Noosa, QLD, Australia.

**Pathé, M. T.** (2023, August). *Sovereign citizens: Understanding and responding to the phenomenon.* Victorian Court of Appeal Conference, Melbourne, Vic, Australia.

**Pathé, M. T.** (2024, February). *A psychological perspective of sovereign citizens*. Judicial Commission of NSW Twilight Seminar Series, Sydney, Australia.

**Pathé, M. T.** (2024, April). *Sovereign citizens for court officials*. NSW District Court Association Conference, Sydney, Australia.

**Spivak, B.** (2024, May) *Artificial Intelligence and Risk Assessment: A false idol or a new messiah?* Asia Pacific Association of Threat Assessment Professionals conference, Sydney, Australia.

**Strand, S.** (2024, March). *Prevention and risk management of intimate partner violence*. National Association for Mental Health and Abuse National Conference.

**Strand, S.** (2023, November). *Nuevos Retos en la Lucha contra la Violencia de Género*. Seminar at Minesterio del Interior, online.



### **Conferences (paper presentations)**

- Baidawi, S., **Papalia, N.**, **Sheehan, R.**, & Ball, R. (2023, September). *10–13-year-old children with alleged offending: Characteristics, outcomes and avenues for system reform*. Centre for Forensic Behavioural Science, Stronger Trajectories, Safer Communities Conference, Prato, Italy.
- **Bapat-pers, A.**, **Papalia, N.**, **Sheed, A.**, **& Ogloff, J. R. P.** (2024, April). *Violence risk, protective factors and desistance in Australian young people*. 5<sup>th</sup> Australasian Youth Justice Conference, Melbourne, Vic, Australia.
- **Batastini, A. B.**, Eno Louden, J., & Barber-Rioja, V. (2024, March). *A national survey of correctional researchers: Capturing the collective experience*. American Psychology-Law Society Annual Meeting, Los Angeles, CA, US.
- **Batastini, A. B.**, Jones, A. C. T., & Cook, K. E. (2024, March). *In the Act: Training correctional staff to recognize criminal thinking errors*. American Psychology-Law Society Annual Meeting, Los Angeles, CA, U.S.
- **Carroll, A.** (2024, May). 'Gee, Officer Krupke, what are we to do?' Explaining the impact of childhood adversity to the criminal courts. 42<sup>nd</sup> ANZAPPL Congress, Melbourne, Australia.
- **Cronje, H.**, **Nixon, M.**, & Rossell, S. L. (2023, September). *Evaluating a cognitive skills program among forensic mental health inpatients*. Centre for Forensic Behavioural Science, Stronger Trajectories, Safer Communities Conference, Prato, Italy.
- **Fullam, R.**, Pichler, A. S., **Luebbers, S.**, **Ruffles, J.**, **Stone, A.**, **Spivak, B.**, & **Ogloff, J. R. P.** (2023, September). *Evaluation of the Embedded Youth Outreach Program*. Centre for Forensic Behavioural Science, Stronger Trajectories, Safer Communities Conference, Prato, Italy.
- **Fullam, R.**, Pichler, A. S., **Luebbers, S.**, **Ruffles, J.**, **Stone, A.**, **Spivak, B.**, & **Ogloff, J. R. P.** (2024, April). *Evaluation of the Embedded Youth Outreach Program*. 5th Australasian Youth Justice Conference, Melbourne, Vic, Australia.
- Hoyt, A. A., Eno Louden, J., **Batastini, A. B.**, & Barber-Rioja, V. (2024, March). *A national survey of correctional researchers: A thematic analysis capturing the collective experience*. American Psychology-Law Society Annual Meeting, Los Angeles, CA, US.
- **Lantta, T.**, Duxbury, J., Haines-Delmont, A., Björkdahl, A., Husum, T. L., Lickiewicz, J., Douzenis, A., Craig, E., Goodall, K., Bora, C., Whyte, R., & Whittington, R. (2023, September). *Advancing use of coercion reduction programs in mental health services: A systematic review of implementation tools.* Centre for Forensic Behavioural Science, Stronger Trajectories, Safer Communities Conference, Prato, Italy.
- **Lantta, T.**, Björkqvist, M., Väätäinen, L., & **Daffern, M.** (2024, June). *Dynamic Appraisal of Situational Aggression Youth Version (DASA-YV) in Finland: How to increase young person engagement in different institutional settings?* International Association of Forensic Mental Health Services (IAFMHS) Conference, San Fransisco, CA, US.

- **Lantta, T.**, Rautiainen, T., Anttila, M., Anttila, J., & Ameel, M. (2024, April). *Co-design of a digital violence prevention and management tool for a psychiatric inpatient care: Focus on supporting integration into electronic health record system*. European Congress of Psychiatry, EPA2024, Budapest, Hungary.
- Love, S., & **Maguire, T.** (2024, February). *DASA, Aggression Prevention Protocol, and workplace violence reduction in Michigan*. Healthcare Systems Process Improvement Conference 2024, Atlanta, GA, US.
- Mackenzie-Auld, H., **Tyler, N.**, Dixon, L., **Lloyd, C. D.**, & Laws, M. (2024, June). *The effectiveness of the New Zealand register in reducing recidivism*. International Association of Forensic Mental Health (IAFMHS) Conference, San Francisco, CA, US.
- **Maguire, T.**, & **Daffern, M.** (2024, June). *Development of Entrustable Professional Activities for the Dynamic Appraisal of Situational Aggression (DASA)*. International Association of Forensic Mental Health Services (IAFMHS) Conference, San Francisco, CA, US.
- Maguire, T., Furness, T., McKenna, B., Mawren, D., Harrison, M., Daffern, M., & Ogloff, J. (2024, June). *Clinician research competency and perspectives of research environment among forensic mental health services: An international cross-sectional survey study*. International Association of Forensic Mental Health Services (IAFMHS) Conference San Francisco, CA, US.
- **Maguire, T.**, Lang, R., Ryan, J., **Harrison, M.**, & **McKenna, B.** (2023, August). *Safewards Secure finalising the missing links*. The 24<sup>th</sup> Victorian Mental Health Nursing Collaborative Conference, Melbourne, Vic, Australia.
- **Maguire, T.**, Ryan, J., Levett-Jones, T., Olasoji, M., Willetts, G., & Garvey, L. (2023, September). *Development of the Forensic Mental Health Nursing Clinical Reasoning Cycle*. 47<sup>th</sup> International Mental Health Nursing Conference, Melbourne, Vic, Australia.
- **Maguire, T.**, Willetts, G., **McKenna, B.**, **Daffern, M.**, & Garvey, L. (2023, September). *Developing Entrustable Professional Activities to enhance application of the Dynamic Appraisal of Situational Aggression risk assessment instrument and the Aggression Prevention Protocol*. Centre for Forensic Behavioural Science, Stronger Trajectories, Safer Communities Conference, Prato, Italy.
- **Maguire, T.**, Willetts, G., **McKenna, B.**, **Daffern, M.**, & Garvey, L. (2024, February). *Development of Entrustable Professional Activities for an Aggression Prevention Protocol*. Conference on the Assessment of Competence in Medicine and the Health Care Professional, Melbourne, Vic, Australia.
- McDowell, L., Kois, L., Cox, J., **Batastini, A. B.**, Scott-Adams, V., Jackson, R., & Wallace, S. (2024, March). *Jail-based competency restoration with REACH: Results of pre-implementation focus groups with jail and court personnel*. American Psychology-Law Society Annual Meeting, Los Angeles, CA, US.
- Meaux, L., Cox, J., Kois, L., & **Batastini, A. B.** (2024, March). *Legal professionals' opinions of virtual forensic mental health assessments*. American Psychology-Law Society Annual Meeting, Los Angeles, CA, US.
- **Papalia, N.**, Baidawi, S., Forrester, L., & **Sheehan, R.** (2023, September). *Seriously wrong or mere naughtiness? An analysis of psychological assessment reports of doli incapax in relation to children under 14 years charged with offending.* Centre for Forensic Behavioural Science, Stronger Trajectories, Safer Communities Conference, Prato, Italy.

- **Pathé, M. T.** (2023, October). *Sovereign citizens: The Australian experience*. International Network of Threat Assessment Centres Annual Conference, Brussels, Belgium
- **Pathé, M. T.** (2024, June). *Grievance-fuelled individuals encountered by regulatory bodies: A role for FTACs?* FTAC Community of Practice Annual Meeting, Perth, WA, Australia.
- Politis, S., Sivasubramaniam, D., & **Papalia, N.** (2023, September). *Public expectations of retribution: Implications for restorative practice in child protection*. Centre for Forensic Behavioural Science, Stronger Trajectories, Safer Communities Conference, Prato, Italy.
- Politis, S., Sivasubramaniam, D., & **Papalia, N.** (2024, March). *Public understanding and perceptions of child protection: Investigating normative alignment*. American Psychology-Law Society Conference, Los Angeles, CA, US.
- **Riachi, M.**, **Spivak, B.**, **McEwan, T.**, & **Papalia, N.** (2024, April). *The mental health and mental health service use of young people with family violence behaviours*. 5th Australasian Youth Justice Conference, Melbourne, Vic, Australia.
- Robinson, N., **Lloyd, C. D.**, **Fullam, R.**, Christie, C., & Kellett, K. (2023, Jul-Dec 2023). *FOCUS in Queensland Corrective Services: Developing and delivering an evidence-based next-generation foundational training program for community corrections officers*. Probation and Community Corrections Officer's Association National Conference, Sydney, NSW, Australia.
- **Sheed, A.**, Forrester, D., **Papalia, N.**, McDonald, S., & **Ogloff, J. R. P.** (2024, April). *Enhancing evidence-based practice: Integrating research and clinical assessment at the Victorian Children's Court Clinic.* 5th Australasian Youth Justice Conference, Melbourne, Vic, Australia.
- **Sheed, A.**, **Maharaj, N.**, **Simmons, M.**, **Papalia, N.**, & **McEwan, T.** (2024, April). *Police-reported child-to-parent abuse: The role of situational factors*. 5<sup>th</sup> Australasian Youth Justice Conference Melbourne, Vic, Australia.
- **Sheed, A., McEwan, T., Simmons, M., Spivak, B.,** & **Papalia, N.** (2024, April). *Characteristics of youth family violence across early adolescence, late adolescence, and young adulthood.* 5<sup>th</sup> Australasian Youth Justice Conference, Melbourne, Vic, Australia.
- **Spivak, B., Simmons, M., Trood, M., McEwan, T.**, & **Papalia, N.** (2023, September). *Sex differences in the association between family violence involvement and emergency mental health presentations: A longitudinal analysis*. Centre for Forensic Behavioural Science, Stronger Trajectories, Safer Communities Conference, Prato, Italy.
- **Strand, S.** (2023, September). *RISKSAM A model for risk assessment of domestic violence, stalking, and honour-based violence and oppression*. Centre for Forensic Behavioural Science, Stronger Trajectories, Safer Communities Conference, Prato, Italy.
- **Strand, S.**, & Petersson, J. (2024, April). *RISKSAM A model for risk management of domestic violence, stalking, and honour-based violence and oppression*. Association of European Threat Assessment Professionals (AETAP), Paris, France.

**Sullivan, D. H.** (2023, October). *Prisoners in emergency departments*. Australian College of Emergency Medicine Conference, Melbourne, Vic, Australia.

**Sullivan, D. H.** (2023, November). *Homicide in the elderly*. Faculty of Psychiatry of Old Age RANZCP Conference, Melbourne, Vic, Australia.

**Sullivan, D. H.** (2024, June). Who looks at child abuse material? Contemporary evidence about online child sex offending. Criminal Law Association of the Northern Territory Conference, Bali, Indonesia.

**Tamatea, A.** (2024, June). "Smashed him in the face... and then I felt sorry for him": An ecological perspective of prison violence in Aotearoa New Zealand. Native American and Indigenous Studies Association's Thirteenth Annual Conference, Bådåddjo, Norway.

**Tamatea, A.**, & **Day, A.** (2024, June). *Understanding the complexity of prison violence: An ecological perspective of institutional aggression in Australia*. Stockholm Criminology Symposium Stockholm, Sweden.

Thomas, S. D. M., & **Daffern, M.** (2024, Jan-Jun 2024). *Forensic disability services - best practice risk assessment in forensic disability: What does the evidence tell us?* International Association of Forensic Mental Health Services (IAFMHS) Conference, San Francisco, CA, US.

**Tingate, R.** (2024, June). *The experience of reintegration from prison for women with cognitive disability.* Reintegration Puzzle Conference, Sydney, NSW, Australia.

**Tyler, N.** (2024, June). *Applying a public health approach to the prevention of deliberate firesetting: Opportunities for forensic mental health professionals*. International Association of Forensic Mental Health Services (IAFMHS) Conference, San Francisco, CA, US.

**Tyler, N.**, Ward, T., & Gannon, T. A. (2024, June). *Characteristics of adults convicted of arson in Aotearoa New Zealand*. International Association of Forensic Mental Health Services (IAFMHS) Conference, San Francisco, CA, US.

**Wong, S.** (2023, November). *Assessment & treatment of violence prone offenders*. The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Thai Clinical Psychologist Association Conference, online.

**Wood, M.**, Davis, M., & Raymond, B. (2023, September). *Does it actually work? Validation and utility of the Risk of Sexual Violence Protocol in an Australian community forensic setting*. Centre for Forensic Behavioural Science, Stronger Trajectories, Safer Communities Conference, Prato, Italy.

## **Conferences (symposium presentation)**

**Batastini, A. B.** (2024, March). *Conducting ethical research in correctional settings: A complex and often-misunderstood endeavor*. American Psychology-Law Society Annual Meeting, Los Angeles, CA, US.

**Coat, L. E.**, & Fougere, A. (2024, June). *Using DBT in custodial settings*. International Association of Forensic Mental Health Services (IAFMHS) Conference, San Francisco, CA, US.

### **Conferences (round tables)**

**Daffern, M.**, Nijdam-Jones, A., Thomas, S. D. M., & Tomlin, J. (2024, June). *Navigating the publishing landscape: Insights from the International Journal of Forensic Mental Health editorial team.* International Association of Forensic Mental Health Services (IAFMHS) Conference, San Francisco, CA, US.

### **Conferences (panel discussions)**

**Batastini, A. B.** (2024, March). *Advocacy in correctional practice: Making progress within a system of barriers* [Panel chair]. American Psychology-Law Society Annual Meeting, Los Angeles, CA, US.

**Curnow, D.**, Coady, P., & Wynnowen, P. (2023, November). *Post sentence supervision schemes*. ANZAPPL General Meeting, online.

### Research translation activity

**Albrecht, B.** (2024, May). Instilling trauma-informed care when working with justice-involved individuals workshop. FMHPDP Centre for Forensic Behavioural Science, Melbourne, Vic, Australia.

Baidawi, S., & **Papalia**, **N**. (February, 2024). Children aged 10 to 13 in the justice system: Current responses and future alternatives. Webinar, Centre for Forensic Behavioural Science, online.

Barber-Rioja, V., & **Batastini**, **A. B.** (2024, June). Introduction to correctional mental health. Presentation for CONCEPT Continuing & Professional Studies, Palo Alto University, Palo Alto, CA, US.

**Batastini, A. B.** (2024, January). Revisiting technology in criminal legal contexts. Webinar, Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, University of New Mexico, online.

**Batastini, A.** (2024, April). Using technology in the delivery of forensic mental health services: What does the research say? Presentation at Forensicare Research Dissemination Seminar, Melbourne, Vic, Australia.

**Batastini, A. B.** (2024, May). Applications of technologies in forensic clinical practice workshop. Corrections Victoria, Australia.

**Brandt, C.** (2023, September & December). Stalking risk profile workshop. RINO Greop, Utrecht, the Netherlands.

**Brandt, C.** (2024, February). Lessons learned from the Victoria police stalking pilot. Webinar, APATAP, online.

**Brandt, C.** (2024, June). Stalking risk profile. Training provided to RINO Greop, Utrecht, the Netherlands.

**Carroll, A.** (2023, October). How to be an effective expert witness workshop. ANZAPPL Training, Melbourne, Vic, Australia.

**Carroll, A.** (2024, May). The shrinkflation of public psychiatry and its risky consequences. Invited speaker at RANZCP Forensic Psychiatry Faculty Annual Congress, Canberra, ACT, Australia.

**Cronje, H.-M.** (2023, November). Evaluating a cognitive skills program among forensic mental health inpatients. Presentation at Forensicare Research Dissemination Seminar, Melbourne, Vic, Australia.

**Curnow, D.** (2023, November). Interviewing fraud suspects. Presentation at Fraud Week, McGrathNicol, Melbourne, Vic, Australia.

Curnow, D. (2023, November). Psychology of embezzlement. Presentation at NBN, online.

**Curnow, D.** (2024, June). Psychology of embezzlement. Presentation to the Office of the Auditor General of Western Australia, Perth, WA, Australia.

**Daffern, M.** (2024). Violent and aggressive scripts workshop. Forensic Intervention Services annual conference, Lorne, Vic, Australia.

**Harrison, M.** (2024, April). The relationship between justice system non-involvement and social and emotional wellbeing of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. Presentation at Forensicare Research Dissemination Seminar, Melbourne, Vic, Australia.

Lantta, T. (2023, November). DASA-Youth version training. Humana, Helsinki, Filand.

**Lantta, T.** (2023, November). DASA-Youth version training. Niuvanniemi State Hospital, Kuopio, Finland.

**Lantta, T.** (2023, November & December). DASA-Youth version training. HUS Psychiatry, Helsinki, Finland.

Lantta, T. (2023, December). DASA-WV version training. Niuvanniemi State Hospital, Kuopio, Finland.

**Lantta, T.** (2024, April). eDASA+APP implementation workshop for unit managers and champions. Hyvinkään ja Porvoon Hospitals, Hyvinkää, Finland.

**Lantta, T.** (2024, April). eDASA+APP implementation workshop for unit managers and champions. Jorvi Hospital Espoo, Finland and Peijas Hospital, Vantaa, Finland.

**Lantta, T.** (2024, April). eDASA+APP implementation workshop for unit managers and champions. Ohkola Hospital, Mäntsälä, Finland.

**Lantta, T.** (2024, April). eDASA+APP implementation workshop for unit managers and champions. Psychiatry Centre, Helsinki, Finland.

**Lantta, T.** (2024, April). eDASA+APP implementation workshop for unit managers and champions. Tammiharju and Raasepori Hospitals, Tammisaari, Finland.

**Luke, R.** (2023, November). Exploring the assessment of the DSM-5 Alternative Model for Personality Disorder (AMPD) and the relationship with aggression. Presentation at Forensicare Research Dissemination Seminar, Melbourne, Vic, Australia.

**Maguire, T.** (2023, September). Safewards & Safewards Secure training. Tasmania Mental Health Care Services, Tasmania, Australia.

**Maguire, T.** (2023, October). Enhancing forensic mental health nursing practice. Structuring risk assessment and intervention to prevent aggression and reduce restrictive interventions. Invited presentation at the State Hospital, Carstairs, Scotland.

**Maguire, T.** (2024, February). Safewards Secure. Invited presentation at the European Violence in Psychiatry Research Group, online.

**Maguire, T.** (2024, April). Assessing and managing patient aggression on inpatient psychiatry units. Invited presentation at University of Mexico, Law and Mental Health Series, online.

**Maguire, T.** (2024, April). Development of Safewards Secure. Invited presentation at the Victorian Prevention of Clinical Aggression Forum.

**Maguire, T.** (2024, April). Impressions of Prato Conference 2023. Panel member at Forensicare Research Dissemination Seminar, Melbourne, Vic, Australia.

**Maguire, T.** (2024, April). Safewards Secure. For the Online Australian Community Forensic Mental Health Forum, online.

**Maguire, T.** (2024, April). Safewards Secure for Dhulwa. Presentation to staff at Dhulwa & Gunwale at Canberra Health Services, Canberra, ACT, Australia.

**Maguire, T.**, **McKenna, B.**, & **Daffern, M.** (2023). Best Practice Education in Violence Risk Assessment and Violence Prevention for Nurses. Summer newsletter, International Association of Forensic Mental Health Services.

**McEwan, T. E.** (2023, July). The intersection of stalking and homicide workshop. ANZAPPL Victoria, Melbourne, Vic, Australia.

**McEwan, T. E.** (2023, September). Formulation of complex and potentially harmful behaviour workshop. APS Forensic College South Australia, Adelaide, SA, Australia.

**McEwan, T. E.** (2023, September). Recognising and understanding stalking. Urban Psychology professional development, Melbourne, Vic, Australia.

**McEwan, T. E.** (2023, November). Formulation of complex and potentially harmful behaviour workshop. FMHPDP Centre for Forensic Behavioural Science, Melbourne, Vic, Australia.

**McEwan, T. E.** (2023, December). Stalking and homicide workshop. Adult Parole Board, Melbourne, Vic, Australia.

- **McEwan, T. E.** (2024, March). Formulation of complex and potentially harmful behaviour workshop. FMHPDP Centre for Forensic Behavioural Science, Melbourne, Vic, Australia.
- **McEwan, T. E.**, & Brandt, C. (2023, December). Recognising, investigating and preventing police-perpetrated coercive control workshop. Victoria Police, Melbourne, Vic, Australia.
- **Mynard, L.**, & Ashley, D. (2023). Occupational formulation and goal setting. Centre for Mental Health Learning, online.
- **Pathé, M. T.** (2023, July). Sovereign citizens: Sincere believers, fraudsters and the mentally ill. Presentation at Forensicare Seminar Series, Melbourne, Vic, Australia.
- **Pathé, M. T.** (2023, November). Fixated threat assessment core skills workshop. For State & Federal Police, mental health professionals and intelligence analysts, Canberra, ACT, Australia.
- **Pathé, M. T.** (2023, December). Intractable grievances: Navigating the culture of blame workshop. FMHPDP Centre for Forensic Behavioural Science, Melbourne, Vic, Australia.
- **Pathé, M. T.** (2024, March). Querulants. In Sovereign citizens, querulant litigants and high-conflict behaviours. Seminar, Judicial College of Victoria, Melbourne, Vic, Australia.
- **Pathé, M. T.** (2024, March). Sovereign citizens. National Judicial College Orientation Program, Brisbane, QLD, Australia.
- **Pathé, M. T.** (2024, May). Learning bytes: Update on lone actor grievance-fuelled violence. Webinar to New Zealand Police, online.
- **Sheed, A.** (2023, October). Understanding parental alienation. Presentation provided to the Victorian Children's Court Clinic, Melbourne, Vic, Australia.
- **Sheed, A.** (2024, April). Understanding risks and needs in court-involved families with child maltreatment and family violence. Presentation at Forensicare research Dissemination Seminar, Melbourne, Vic, Australia.
- **Strand, S.** (2023, August). Do protection orders protect? Invited presentation with the District Attorney at the National Conference on Women's Peace, Stockholm, Sweden.
- **Strand, S.** (2023, November). Violence and risk management. Presentation at the Centre for Violence Studies, Örebro, Sweden.
- **Sullivan, D. H.** (2023, October). Institutional sexual abuse offenders. MeDirect peer review group, Melbourne, Vic, Australia.
- **Sullivan, D. H.** (2023, November). Mental health for judicial officers. Judicial College of Victoria, Melbourne, Vic, Australia.
- **Sullivan, D. H.**, & Holmes, E. (2024, March). Mental health in prisons. Mental health ground round at South West Healthcare, Warrnambool, Vic, Australia.

**Sullivan, D. H.** (2024, June). How complainants vary in their behaviour both during and following sexual assault. Office of Director of Public Prosecutions, Tasmania, Australia.

**Sullivan, D. H.**, & **Darjee, R.** (2023, November). Anti-libidinal medication workshop. Justice Health & Forensic Mental Health Network NSW, Sydney, NSW, Australia.

**Tamatea, A.** (2023, August). Nga Tuumanakotanga project presentation. Prison Director's Forum & Violence and Aggression Strategy Hui, Wellington, NZ.

**Tamatea, A.** (2023, September). Gangs and prison: Understanding the issues for Corrections Intelligence from an ecological perspective workshop. Corrections Intelligence Conference, Wellington, NZ.

**Tamatea**, **A.** (2023, October). Gangs and prisons: Understanding the issues from an ecological perspective. Rautaki music therapy, online.

**Tamatea, A.** (2023, November). Te Pakari: Understanding prison violence in Aotearoa IV: A symposium. Online.

**Tamatea, A.** (2024, February). "Smashed him in the face and then gave him three of the best... Fuck, he's a friend of mine now": Controlling spaces, gangs and violence in the prison ecology. Presentation to New Zealand Institute of Security and Crime Science, University of Waikato, online.

**Tamatea, A.** (2024, June). Preventing prison violence: An ecological perspective. Presentation to Det Nationale Forskningscenter for Arbejdsmiljø, Copenhagan, Denmark.

Tinsley, Y. M., & **Tyler, N.** (2023, September). Scar tissue I wish you saw: Understanding and addressing the wellbeing impacts of working in the criminal law workshop. Centre for Justice Innovation, Te Herenga Waka Faculty of Law, Wellington, New Zealand.

Tinsley, Y. M., & **Tyler, N.** (2023, November). Addressing the wellbeing impacts of working in the criminal law workshop. New Zealand Crown Solicitors' Network, online.

**Trood, M. D.** (2023). Judicial supervision across populations and in mainstream courts. Forensicare MHARS training day, Melbourne, Vic, Australia.

**Tyler, N.** (2024, May). Understanding arson - clinical staff workshop. Department of Justice and Community safety / Corrections Victoria, Lorne, Vic, Australia.

**Tyler, N.**, & Ducat, L. V. (2023, December). Understanding, assessing and treating adult deliberate firesetting workshop. Queensland Forensic Mental Health Services, QLD, Australia.

Wong, S. (2023, July). Violence Risk Scale trainer training. South Australia Correctional Services, online.

**Wong, S.** (2023, July). Violence Risk Scale user training. For registered clinical and forensic psychologists in private practice, Sydney, NSW, Australia.

**Wong, S.** (2023, September). Violence Risk Scale trainer training. NSW Justice Health and Forensic Mental Health Network psychologists, psychiatrists and allied health practitioners, Sydney, NSW, Australia.

**Wong, S.** (2023, October). Violence Risk Scale training for psychologists. Psychologists at Rampton Special Hospital, online.

**Wong, S.** (2023, October). Violence Risk Scale trainer training. Corrective Services NSW, Sydney, NSW, Australia.

**Wong, S.** (2023, November). Violence Risk Scale and violence reduction program staff training. For ACT psychologists and other service providers, Canberra, ACT, Australia.

**Wong, S.** (2024, March). Violence Risk Scale user training workshop for registered clinical and forensic psychologists in private practice. Sydney, NSW, Australia.

**Yang, M.** (2023, August). Core Outcome Measures Set (COMET/COS) in efficient randomised clinical trials: Current and future in China and overseas. Presentation at West China Hospital, Sichuan University, Chengdu, China.

**Yang, M.** (2023, August & September). How to write research papers and to improve research capacity. Presentation at West Chine School of Public Health, Sichuan University, Chengdu, China.

#### **Industry reports**

Black, S., Thom, K., Burnside, D., Hastings, J., White, S., **McKenna, B.**, Quince, K., Haitana, J., Brookbanks, W., Exeter, D., Cannon, T., Burke, M., White, T., Tua, R., Lampshire, D., Tumoana, J., & Turner, S. (2023). He ture kia tika: Let the law be right for whānau experiencing mental distress and/or distress while in the criminal justice system. Prepared by Auckland University of Technology, Auckland, NZ.

**Dent, H. J.**, **Riachi, M.**, & **Ogloff, J.R.P.** (2024). Brief report: Characteristics of children assessed for doli incapax through the Victorian Children's Court Clinic. Prepared for the Victorian Children's Court Clinic, Victorian Government by the Centre for Forensic Behavioural Science, Swinburne University of Technology, Melbourne, Australia.

**Dent, H. J.**, **Riachi, M.**, & **Ogloff, J.R.P.** (2024). Brief report: Perceptions of doli incapax assessments from the Victorian Children's Court Clinic. Prepared for the Victorian Children's Court Clinic, Victorian Government by the Centre for Forensic Behavioural Science, Swinburne University of Technology, Melbourne, Australia.

**Harrison, M.** & **Furness, T.** (2024). Models of Care in Forensic Mental Health: Rapid Literature Review. Prepared for Victorian Institute of Forensic Mental Health by the Centre for Forensic Behavioural Science, Swinburne University of Technology, Melbourne, Australia.

- **Fullam, R., Ruffles, J., Stone, A., Richardson, K., & Spivak, B.** (2023). Annual Report 2021-2022: Evaluation of the Embedded Youth Outreach Program. Prepared for Victoria Police by the Centre for Forensic Behavioural Science, Swinburne University of Technology, Melbourne, Australia.
- **Fullam, R., Ruffles, J.**, Thomson, K., **Maguire, T.**, & **Daffern, M.** (2023). Assertive outreach and support pilot program. Risk assessment and management framework. Prepared for Department of Families, Fairness and Housing, Victorian Government by the Centre for Forensic Behavioural Science, Swinburne University of Technology, Melbourne, Australia.
- **Maguire, T.**, Bruce, M., & **Daffern, M.** (2023). Review of the occupational violence and aggression learning modules. Prepared for the Tasmanian Department of Health by the Centre for Forensic Behavioural Science, Swinburne University of Technology, Melbourne, Australia.
- **Maguire, T., McKenna, B.**, Garvey, L., Willetts, G., & **Daffern, M.** (2023). Basic training curriculum: Entrustable Professional Activities (EPA) for the Aggression Prevention Protocol Training document. Prepared by the Centre for Forensic Behavioural Science, Swinburne University of Technology, Melbourne, Australia.
- **Mattingley, S.** (2024). Perceived safety in secure forensic service settings: A snapshot of the literature. Prepared for Victorian Institute of Forensic Mental Health by the Centre for Forensic Behavioural Science, Swinburne University of Technology, Melbourne, Australia.
- **Mattingley, S.** (2024). Trauma informed care in forensic mental health. Prepared for Victorian Institute of Forensic Mental Health by the Centre for Forensic Behavioural Science, Swinburne University of Technology, Melbourne, Australia.
- **Ruffles, J., Fullam, R., Richardson, K., & Daffern, M.** (2023). Needs assessment report: Problematic sexual behaviour in detained youth. Prepared for Youth Justice, Department of Justice and Community Safety, Victorian Government by the Centre for Forensic Behavioural Science, Swinburne University of Technology, Melbourne, Australia.
- **Ruffles, J.**, **Fullam, R.**, Thomson, K., & **Daffern, M.** (2024). Framework: Managing harmful sexual behaviour in youth custodial facilities. Prepared for Youth Justice, Department of Justice and Community Safety, Victorian Government by the Centre for Forensic Behavioural Science, Swinburne University of Technology, Melbourne, Australia.
- **Sheed, A**., Venner, S., & **Ogloff, J.R.P.** (2024). Parental alienation: A brief review of the literature. Prepared for the Victorian Children's Court Clinic, Victorian Government by the Centre for Forensic Behavioural Science, Swinburne University of Technology, Melbourne, Australia.
- **Spivak, B., Fullam, R.**, & **McEwan, T.** (2023). Evaluation of the Magistrates' Court of Victoria family violence reforms: Economic evaluation advisory paper. Prepared for Court Services Victoria, Victorian Government by the Centre for Forensic Behavioural Science, Swinburne University of Technology, Melbourne, Australia.

**Spivak, B.**, **Trood, M.**, & **McEwan, T.** (2023). Evaluation of the Magistrates' Court of Victoria Family Violence Reforms. Report five: Outcomes evaluation. Prepared for the Court Services Victoria, Victorian Government by the Centre for Forensic Behavioural Science, Swinburne University of Technology, Melbourne, Australia.

**Stone, A., Ruffles, J.,** & **Fullam, R.** (2023). Embedded Youth Outreach Program: Service activity and client characteristics report, Quarter 2 2023. Prepared for Victoria Police by the Centre for Forensic Behavioural Science, Swinburne University of Technology, Melbourne, Australia.

**Stone, A.**, **Ruffles, J.**, & **Fullam, R.** (2023). Embedded Youth Outreach Program: Service activity and client characteristics report, Quarter 3 2023. Prepared for Victoria Police by the Centre for Forensic Behavioural Science, Swinburne University of Technology, Melbourne, Australia.

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**Stone, A.**, **Ruffles, J.**, & **Fullam, R.** (2023). Embedded Youth Outreach Program: Service activity and client characteristics report, Quarter 1 2024. Prepared for Victoria Police by the Centre for Forensic Behavioural Science, Swinburne University of Technology, Melbourne, Australia.

Thom, K., Gordon, S., Black, S., Hunter, K., Hayward, M., Kidd, J., O'Brien, A., **McKenna, B.**, & Vaka, S. (2024). Responding to people in mental distress: Exploring the preventative role of New Zealand Police in the community. Prepared by Auckland University of Technology, Auckland, NZ.

