







# Responding to the health needs of justice-involved young people: Partnerships and priorities for building the evidence base

9:00am-5:00pm, Friday 28 October 2016 Ella Latham Theatre, Royal Children's Hospital, Melbourne

Young, justice-involved people typically have complex health and social needs, set against a backdrop of entrenched disadvantage. Evidence-based responses to the health needs of these young people are critical, but the evidence base remains thin. The aims of this symposium are to identify key evidence gaps for improving the health of justice-involved young people, and to articulate a strategy for filling those gaps.

# **PROGRAM**

09:00-09:30	Registration and coffee
09:30-09:35	Welcome to Country
	Aunty Di Kerr
09:35-09:45	Opening remarks
	Mr Paul McDonald, Chief Executive Officer, Anglicare Victoria
09:45-11:00	Beyond Detention: A 12-Year Longitudinal Study of Delinquent Youth After Detention
	Presenter: Prof Linda Teplin
	Chair: Prof Stuart Kinner
	Panelists: Dr Rohan Borschmann, Prof Andrew Chanen, Mr Andrew Bruun
11:00-11:30	Morning tea
11:30-12:45	Language and literacy skills in vulnerable young people and the school-to-prison pipeline: Evidence into action Speaker: Prof Pamela Snow
	Chair: Dr Rohan Borschmann
	Panelists: Dr David Broderick, Dr Mick Creati, Mr Brendan Murray
12:45-13:30	Lunch
13:30-14:45	The health of justice-involved young people: Priorities for building the evidence base
	Speaker: Prof Stuart Kinner
	Chair: Prof Andrew Chanen
	Panelists: Ms Ingrid Johnston, Mr Andrew Bruun, Dr Mick Creati, Mr Ian Lanyon
14:45-15:15	Afternoon tea
15:15-16:30	First 1000 Days, Human Rights and the Detention of young Indigenous Australians
	Speaker: Prof Kerry Arabena
	Chair: Ms Liana Buchanan
	Panelists: Mr Julian Cleary, Dr Suzanne Hood, Dr Rob Roseby
16:30-16:45	Youth justice provider perspective: Mr lan Lanyon
16:45-17:00	Concluding remarks and next steps
	Prof Stuart Kinner

#### Mr Paul McDonald



Paul McDonald is the Chief Executive Officer of Anglicare Victoria. Previous to his current role he was a senior bureaucrat in Government for 10 years including as the Executive Director of the Children, Youth and Family Division for DHS and also held the position of Victorian Director of Drugs Policy and Services for the Victorian Government. Paul has been Chair of a range of nationally significant Committees on behalf of the Australian Government including Chair of the National Committee on the Review of alcohol advertising, Chair of the National Inhalants Taskforce. He has led and managed major health and welfare agencies including CEO of the Youth Substance Abuse Service; CEO of the Council to Homeless Persons; and Director of the Crossroads Salvation Army Program. He is a Patron of the Youth Workers Association and is Chair of the national campaign "The Home Stretch" to extend care later.

# Professor Linda Teplin



Professor Teplin is the Vice Chair of Research and the Owen L. Coon Professor of Psychiatry and Behavioural Sciences in the Medical School at Northwestern University in Chicago, Illinois. She is one of the most prominent researchers in the area of mental health of youth in the juvenile justice system. In the 1990s, Professor Teplin established the Northwestern Juvenile Project, the first large-scale longitudinal study of mental health needs and outcomes of delinquent youth after detention. Her studies have been funded in the U.S. by the National Institutes of Health, the Department of Justice, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Administration, and many private foundations. Her research findings have been published in journals that are widely read and broadly distributed, such as Pediatrics, JAMA Psychiatry, and the American Journal of Public Health. Results from her studies have provided the empirical basis for changes in juvenile justice and mental health policy.

#### **Professor Pamela Snow**



Professor Snow is Head of the Rural Health School at La Trobe University, and a registered psychologist, having qualified originally in speech pathology. Her research has been funded by nationally competitive schemes and spans various aspects of risk in childhood and adolescence: (a) the oral language skills of high-risk young people (youth offenders and those in the state care system), and the role of oral language competence as a protective factor in childhood and adolescence; (b) applying evidence in the language-to-literacy transition in the early years of school; and (c) linguistic aspects of investigative interviewing with children/adolescents as witnesses, suspects, victims in criminal investigations. Pamela has research links with the education, welfare and justice sectors, and her research has been published in a wide range of international journals. She is frequently called upon to address education, health, welfare, and forensic audiences. She is a Fellow of the Speech Pathology Association of Australia and is a past Victorian State Chair of the Australian Psychological Society. She has over 120 publications, comprising refereed papers, book chapters, monographs and research reports.

# **Professor Stuart Kinner**



Professor Kinner is an NHMRC Senior Research Fellow with cross-faculty membership of the Griffith Criminology Institute and Menzies Health Institute Queensland. He also holds Honorary appointments at The University of Melbourne, Monash University, University of Queensland, and Murdoch Childrens Research Institute. Stuart's research focusses on health and social outcomes for young people and adults who cycle through the criminal justice system, using a range of research methods including randomised trials, longitudinal studies, data linkage and systematic review. He Chairs Australia's National Youth Justice Health Advisory Group, Co-Chairs the Research Committee in the Academic Consortium on Criminal Justice Health, co-convenes the PHAA Justice Health Special Interest Group, and since 2005 has served on Australia's National Prisoner Health Information Committee.

# **Professor Kerry Arabena**



Professor Arabena is Chair for Indigenous Health and Director of the Indigenous Health Equity Unit at The University of Melbourne. A descendent of the Meriam people from the Torres Strait, she has a Doctorate in Human Ecology and a degree in Social Work. She is the Lead Investigator on the Australian Model of the First 1000 Days Study, an interventions based pre-birth cohort study designed with and for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families. With an extensive background in public health, administration, community development and research, her work has made significant contributions in areas such as sexual and reproductive health, family violence, gender issues, access and equity, service provision, and harm minimisation.

# Mr Ian Lanyon



Mr Lanyon is the Director of Secure Services, Department of Health & Human Services, which oversees Youth Justice Custodial Services, Secure Welfare Services and Disability Forensic Assessment & Treatment Services in Victoria. Prior to taking on his current role, Ian was with Victoria Police where he was a Commissioned Officer with over 25 years of policing experience including service in the Homicide, Armed Robbery, Arson, DNA and Drug Squads. Other roles that he has performed include Station Leader of Davis Station in Antarctica for 15 months, and Executive Director of the Australasian Police Professional Standards Council. He holds a Bachelor of Laws, a Bachelor of Policing and a Masters in Business Leadership. He is the Victorian representative and the current Chair of the Australasian Juvenile Justice Administrators.

## **PANELISTS AND PANEL CHAIRS**

#### • Dr Rohan Borschmann

NHMRC Early Career Fellow & Psychologist, Centre for Adolescent Health, Murdoch Childrens Research Institute

#### Mr David Braddock

Head, Child Welfare and Prisoner Health Unit, Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

#### • Mr Andrew Bruun

Chief Executive Officer, Youth Support + Advocacy Service (YSAS)

## • Ms Liana Buchanan

Principal Commissioner for Children and Young People, Victoria

#### • Professor Andrew Chanen

Deputy Director, Research; Head, Personality Disorder Research, Orygen Youth Health

## • Mr Julian Cleary

Campaign Coordinator - Indigenous Rights - Amnesty International Australia

#### Dr Mick Creati

Adolescent Paediatrician, Royal Children's Hospital Melbourne

#### Dr Jill Guthrie

Director of Research and Knowledge Translation, The Lowitja Institute

## • Dr Suzanne Hood

Research Manager, Australian Research Alliance for Children and Youth (ARACY)

## • Ms Ingrid Johnston

Senior Program Manager, Child Welfare and Prisoner Health Unit, Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW)

# • Mr Brendan Murray

Executive Principal, Parkville College

## Dr Rob Roseby

Head of Medical Specialties, Monash Children's Hospital; Visiting Paediatrician, Western Suburbs Indigenous Gathering Pace

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