

Jesuit Social Services' National Justice Symposium: Emerging adults in the justice system

Speaker Biographies

Patricia Faulkner AO – Chairman, Jesuit Social Services Board



Patricia currently chairs the Boards of Jesuit Social Services, the Commonwealth Bank of Australia CEO Advisory Panel and the Melbourne Racing Club Foundation. She is on the Board of CEDA, the Melbourne Theatre Company, VicSuper and is a member of the

Melbourne Racing Club Committee and Deputy Chair of Catholic Professional Standards Pty Ltd. In 2016, Patricia served as a Deputy Commissioner to the Victorian Royal Commission into Family Violence.

She was a previous Global Lead Partner and National Partner-in-Charge, Health Sector, at KPMG and a previous Secretary of the Victorian Government Department of Human Services. She has held several roles with the Victorian Government over a period of more than 20 years. Patricia has held a diverse range of high level positions, including Director of Consumer Affairs (Victoria) and Director of Occupational Health and Safety. She is a Fellow of the Australian College of Health Services

Executives and a National Fellow of IPAA. Patricia's other previous positions of note include: Chair Superpartners, Deputy Chair St Vincent's Health Australia, Chair of the Board Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre, Chair of the Australian Social Inclusion Board, Chair National Health Performance Authority, member and Chair of the Federal Government's Health Infrastructure Fund. She was also member of the Commonwealth Grants Commission, member of the COAG Reform Council, member of the Companies and Securities Advisory Committee, Chair of the EPAC Enquiry into Childcare in Australia and Chair of the Melbourne International Arts Festival.

Patricia was made an Officer of the Order of Australia in 2008 for service to the community through the development and implementation of public policy relating to health, aged care, children's services, disability services and housing. In 2013 Patricia was recognised with an Honorary Doctorate from Monash University. She also received a Centenary Medal in 2001 for services to Public Administration.

Julie Edwards – CEO, Jesuit Social Services



Julie Edwards joined Jesuit Social Services in 2001 and was the Program Director prior to her appointment as CEO in June 2004. Julie has over 35 years experience engaging with marginalised people and families experiencing breakdown and trauma. She is

a social worker, family therapist and a grief and loss counsellor. Julie has a Masters in Social Work and is currently completing her doctorate in this discipline. In 2010 Julie became a Graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors.

Julie has served on several government and philanthropic committees that work to promote a more just society and contribute to the health and wellbeing of members of our community. She is also a member of the International Working Group on Death, Dying and Bereavement.

Julie is a member of several national and international Jesuit commissions and working groups across the areas of justice, education, social ministry and ecology.

Vincent Schiraldi – Senior Research Scientist, Columbia School of Social Work



Vincent Schiraldi is a Senior Research Scientist at the Columbia School of Social Work and co-Director of the Columbia Justice Lab. He has extensive experience in public life, founding the policy think tank, the Justice Policy Institute, then moving to government as

director of juvenile corrections in Washington DC, as Commissioner of the New York City Department of Probation, and Senior Policy Adviser to the NYC Mayor's Office of Criminal Justice.

Vincent gained a national reputation as a fearless reformer who emphasised the humane and decent treatment of the men, women, and children under his correctional supervision. He pioneered efforts at community-based alternatives to incarceration in NYC and Washington DC. Vincent received a Master of Social Work from New York University, and a Bachelor of Arts from Binghamton University.

The Hon Ben Carroll MP – Victorian Minister for Crime Prevention, Corrections, Youth Justice and Victim Support



Ben Carroll was born and raised in Airport West where his family have lived for over 40 years. He attended local schools, St Christopher's Primary and St Bernard's College, and although not a naturally gifted athlete Ben played over 50 games for Airport West Football Club.

After earning a scholarship from La Trobe University, Ben completed a Bachelor of Arts with Honours in Politics, before later completing a Bachelor of Laws and a Master of Laws in Global Business Law.

Ben has over 15 years' worth of experience in public service, including as a lawyer for the Victorian Government, adviser to Victorian Premier Steve Bracks and as a volunteer in community legal centres.

First elected as the Member for Niddrie on the 24th of March 2012, Ben has committed his time in parliament to serving the community he loves and the people of Melbourne's north-west. Shortly after his election, Ben served on the Law Reform, Drugs and Crime Prevention Committee, which undertook a ground-breaking inquiry into the supply and use of crystal methamphetamine, commonly known as 'ice'. On 23 December 2014 Ben was appointed Parliamentary Secretary for Justice, where he worked with his colleagues to crack down on puppy farms.

In October 2017, Ben was appointed the Minister for Industry and Employment. The son of small business owners, Ben has always understood the critical role small businesses play in local communities. As Minister for Industry and Employment he did not waste a day supporting local businesses or their workers. Through targeted industry support programs, the Victorian Government created 6000 manufacturing jobs and saw Victorian manufacturing grow for 17 consecutive months in 2017-18, the longest growth period for the sector since records began. He also oversaw the implementation of Australia's first ever local jobs first legislation, which set clear minimum targets for local content and apprenticeships on all Victorian Government Strategic Projects.

As Minister for Industry and Employment, Ben launched Victoria's Social Procurement Framework, a national first. Using the Government's buying power, the Framework enabled buyers and suppliers to deliver social, economic and environmental outcomes that benefit the Victorian community, economy and environment. Ben also offered significant support to Victorian social enterprises, particularly those that employ and support Victorians who face significant barriers to finding work.

After the 2018 Victorian State Election, Ben was appointed Minister for Crime Prevention, Corrections, Youth Justice and Victim Support.

Muriel Bamblett – CEO, Victorian Aboriginal Child Care Agency



Muriel Bamblett is a Yorta Yorta and Dja Dja Wurrung woman who has been CEO of VACCA since 1999. She is also Chairperson of SNAICC, the peak body representing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander child and family services nationally.

Muriel is currently active in over 30 advisory groups concerning the Aboriginal community, including the Aboriginal Treaty Working Group; Victorian Children's Council; Aboriginal Justice Forum; and the Aboriginal Community Elders Service. Muriel was heavily involved in the Northern Territory Child Protection Inquiry from 2009-11.

Under Muriel's leadership, VACCA has grown significantly, making us one of the biggest employers of Aboriginal staff in Victoria. VACCA is the leading child and family services organisation of its type in Australia.

A spirited and intellectual force for change, Muriel is driven by the desire to give children in out-of-home care a connection to culture - they have their Aboriginality, they have a genealogy, and they feel a connection to land.

Muriel has been the recipient of several awards, including the Order of Australia; Centenary of Federation Medal; Robin Clark Memorial Award for Inspirational Leadership in the Field of Child and Family Welfare; Women's Electoral Lobby Inaugural Vida Goldstein Award; and Victorian Honour Roll of Women. In 2009, she was made an Adjunct Professor in the School of Social Work and Social Policy La Trobe University. In 2017 Muriel was awarded an honorary degree of Doctor of Letters in Social Work by the University of Sydney in recognition of her outstanding contribution to Aboriginal child and family welfare.

Hugh de Kretser – Executive Director, Human Rights Law Centre



Hugh de Kretser was a board member of the Human Rights Law Centre when it was established in 2006 and joined the staff team in 2013 as the Executive Director. Under his leadership, the Centre has more than tripled in staffing and resources and continues to extend

its positive impact on human rights in Australia.

Hugh started his legal career at the law firm Mallesons and then began working to protect and promote human rights as the Manager of the Brimbank Melton Community Legal Centre and the Executive Officer of the Victorian Federation of Community Legal Centres.

Hugh currently serves as a Director of the Victorian Sentencing Advisory Council and a member of the Advisory Board of the University of Melbourne Law School. He has previously served as Commissioner of the Victorian Law Reform Commission, a board member of the National Association of Community Legal Centres and a governance committee member for knowmore – the national service that provided legal help for people navigating the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse.

Lisa Ward – Deputy Chair, Victorian Sentencing Advisory Council



Lisa Ward has extensive experience in adult corrections, youth justice and child protection. She has operated a boutique consultancy business for two decades, providing program, policy and planning services to government and not-for-profit entities. Lisa has particular

expertise regarding diversionary programs for young people, services for families in contact with the criminal justice system and gender responsive approaches to women. She was a long term member of the Adult Parole Board of Victoria and is currently Deputy Chair of the Victorian Sentencing Advisory Council.

Leigh Marsh – Programme Director, New Zealand Department of Corrections' High Impact Innovation Programme



Leigh Marsh began his justice sector career in 2005 as a Corrections Officer at Hawke's Bay Regional Prison. While at the prison, he worked in management positions and oversaw the delivery of rehabilitation programmes. He moved to Wellington to join

Corrections' National Office in 2009 and held roles advising on prison practice, risk management and safety, including the national delivery of on-body cameras for staff. In 2015 he was appointed to the Manager National Operations role, where he was responsible for electronic monitoring, prison population management and incident management.

While in this role, the New Zealand justice system experienced a unpredicted rise in the prison population. Leigh saw opportunities to ease this pressure by improving the flows into and out of prison. He started several projects to test his ideas with immediate success.

The initiative has grown to become the High Impact Innovation Programme, which includes projects to improve justice sector outcomes. Leigh oversees the programme and manages key stakeholder relationships.

Leigh is passionate about making changes across the entire justice system. To do this he maintains strong relationships across the sector and closely monitors outcomes and trends. He holds a Masters Degree in Public Management (with merit) and has taken part in several leadership development engagements while at Corrections, including the Emerging Senior Leaders programme and a secondment to the Deputy National Commissioner position.

Wade Noonan – Chair, JobsBank



Wade Noonan's career has been defined by his passion for bringing together government, business and community groups for the social good.

He won the seat of Williamstown in 2007 and was a Cabinet Minister in the first Andrews Labor

Government, where he served as the Minister for Police and Corrections, and then the Minister for Industry, Employment and Resources.

Wade's 11 years in public life have given him significant insights into leadership. He served during a time of great change in Victoria that involved record population and jobs growth, and significant social change.

During his time in Opposition, Wade worked tirelessly to support and advocate for paramedics and the families of those who lost loved ones during the ambulance crisis.

As Minister for Corrections, Wade supported programs that helped place released prisoners into employment and established funding for the Torch program, which uses art to offer vocational and cultural support to Aboriginal prisoners and former offenders in Victoria, as a way to address recidivism rates. Under the program, prisoners can sell their art while in custody. As someone

who has always believed in the power of meaningful work to improve lives, Wade has been a longstanding supporter of the YMCA Bridge Project, a program that helps young ex-offenders find employment.

In Government, Wade also oversaw the transition of the automotive industry and delivered programs to ensure thousands of workers and supply chain businesses were supported to retrain for new opportunities.

He was also instrumental in delivering Australia's first ever worker transfer scheme for power workers in the Latrobe Valley, banning fracking in Victoria and delivering our state's social enterprise strategy.

Wade took a leave of absence from Parliament to seek mental health support for vicarious trauma. His willingness to speak about his condition sets an example for other leaders in the community to follow.

Wade has always believed that every person has the power to bring about change - and that positive change is everyone's responsibility. This is a vocation he continues to pursue in his life after politics as Chair of JobsBank, Executive Director of the West of Melbourne Economic Alliance, and Associate Director of Social Enterprise and Investment at RMIT.

Tim Cartwright APM – former acting Chief Commissioner, Victoria Police



Tim Cartwright APM has over 44 years of service to the Victorian community.

Tim was appointed by the Government as the inaugural Family Violence Reform Implementation Monitor in August 2016, and carried out the role until

August 2019. He was responsible for monitoring the Government's implementation of the Family Violence Royal Commission's recommendations, and reporting to Parliament annually.

Tim retired from Victoria Police in 2015 after a 41-year career. He served as acting Chief Commissioner from late December 2014 until his retirement in mid-2015. Before this, he served as Deputy Commissioner (Regional Operations) from mid-2011, where he was responsible for the day-to-day operational policing of Victoria, including counter-terrorism, emergency management, and leading the policing of family violence and of all major events and emergencies.

He completed assignments to Strathclyde Police in Scotland, the Victorian Law Reform Commission and the former Police Board of Victoria. He has also travelled to Timor Leste and Turkey in his official capacity.

Tim has been a board member of Crime Stoppers Australia, and the National Motor Vehicle Theft Reduction

Council, representing all Australian Police Commissioners on these boards. He has been one of two Victorian representatives on the National Counter-terrorism Committee.

Most of Tim's early career was spent in the northern and western suburbs of Melbourne in operational roles in uniform, plain clothes, and as a detective. As a senior officer, he undertook a number of policy development and project roles, including leading the development of the first five-year strategic plan "The Way Ahead" and the first Victorian acquisition of "Livescan" technology that allowed the digital capture and searching of fingerprints.

He was awarded the Australian Police Medal in 2005 for his service in Victoria Police.

Tim is currently Vice President of Berry Street, and on the advisory board for the Australian Intercultural Society.

In his private life Tim has taken on leadership and volunteer roles in conservation, bicycling and bush-walking organisations, and retains an active interest in these areas.

He has a degree in Criminal Justice from RMIT, and a Graduate Diploma in Public Policy and Management from Monash University (School of Business).

Kevin Russell – Program Manager, Beyond Survival, Victorian Aboriginal Child Care Agency



Kevin Russell is a proud Yorta Yorta man currently working for Victorian Aboriginal Child Care Agency (VACCA) delivering Cultural Healing Sessions to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander men incarcerated across prison facilities in Victoria.

Kevin is strongly connected to his community and credits his passion and desire for change in his community to the legacy of his grandmother Sally Cooper, and his great grandfather William Cooper, who were both tireless advocates for justice for all peoples.

Kevin also draws powerfully on his own journey of disconnection, drug and alcohol dependency, incarceration, childhood abuse and then his healing journey, in all areas of his work.

Kevin has studied Narrative Approaches to Community, Individual and Group Work and has written the program

Beyond Survival with the philosophies of "Story" underpinning the program. He is very excited when men talk of their preferred story as opposed to dominant/problem stories.

Kevin has spent the past 20 years working in and for the Aboriginal Community with specific roles supporting:

- Stolen Generations peoples reconnect with Culture Community and Country
- Supporting Aboriginal Men "Tell Their Story" to the Royal Commission into Institutional Sexual Abuse
- Residential drug and alcohol rehabilitation programs
- Supporting both kids and carers in the out-of-home care sector.

Sarah Dolan – Communications and Public Affairs Director, Supreme Court of Victoria



Sarah Dolan started her career as a journalist in 1992 at the *Herald Sun*, predominantly as a reporter covering the County and Magistrates' courts. After eight years at the newspaper and two years at a national magazine, Sarah moved to government as a departmental

communications adviser. From 2004 until 2010, Sarah was a speechwriter and later Media Manager for two consecutive Victorian Premiers.

After working as a consultant and gaining a Masters of Communication at RMIT University, Sarah joined Deakin University in 2013 as the Director of Media and Corporate

Communications, and then the Victorian Department of Education and Training in February 2016 as Executive Director, Communications.

Sarah has been in her current role of Director of Communications and Public Affairs at the Supreme Court of Victoria since February 2018 and is closely involved with the Court's ground-breaking podcast, *Gertie's Law*.

In almost all of these roles, Sarah has drawn on the power of storytelling to strengthen understanding about organisations, people and complex issues, and to develop new ways of getting information directly to those who need it.

Dr Mick Creati – Senior Fellow, Royal Australasian College of Physicians



Dr Mick Creati is a paediatrician and adolescent physician.

Mick was Head of the Medical Services, in the Parkville Youth Justice Precinct, from 2011 to 2013, where he directly provided health care to hundreds of children in custody over this two year period.

In 2016, he was summonsed to provide evidence to the Royal Commission into the Protection and Detention of

Children in the Northern Territory regarding the standards of health care for children in detention.

Mick has for the last five years worked two days a week as a paediatrician at the Victorian Aboriginal Health Service, in Fitzroy, where many of his patients are involved in the Child Protection and/or the Youth Justice Systems. For the past 19 years, Mick has also been employed as an adolescent physician in the Department of Adolescent Medicine, The Royal Children's Hospital.

Matt Tyler – Executive Director, The Men’s Project, Jesuit Social Services



Matt Tyler is Executive Director of The Men's Project at Jesuit Social Services working with a team committed to providing leadership on the reduction of violence and other harmful behaviours prevalent among boys and men. He brings over 10 years of experience across

the private, public, academic, and community sectors. He has particular expertise in improving social services including within child protection, family violence, criminal justice and mental health.

Prior to joining Jesuit Social Services he worked as a Fellow for Harvard's Government Performance Lab, an economist on Australia's foreign aid program focused on South-East Asia, a policy adviser to the Australian Labor Party, a strategy consultant for Australia's largest companies, and a researcher on an Australian Research Council grant seeking to improve Indigenous Australian men's health. He holds a Master of Public Policy from Harvard's Kennedy School, Honours in Economics (University Medal) from Monash University, and a B.A (Psychology) / B.Comm (Finance) from the University of Melbourne.

Justin Mohamed – Commissioner for Aboriginal Children and Young People



A Gooreng Gooreng man from Bundaberg in Queensland, Justin Mohamed is Victoria's Commissioner for Aboriginal Children and Young People.

After 20 years working with Victorian Aboriginal communities, Justin moved to Canberra to take

on national roles as Chairperson of the National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (NACCHO) and Chief Executive Officer of Reconciliation Australia.

In earlier roles in the Shepparton region of Victoria, Justin was the Inaugural Director of the Academy of Sport, Health and Education (ASHE), and CEO and later Chairperson of Rumbalara Aboriginal Cooperative Ltd.

He has also chaired the Victorian Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (VACCHO) and the Hume Regional Aboriginal Justice Advisory Council (RAJAC).

Justin has held positions on multiple community, state and national working groups, committees and boards, and continues to be a Director of Vision 2020, Co-Chair of Cricket Australia's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Advisory Committee, Board Member of Kaiela Institute and Director of Supply Nation.

Dr Sally Wilkins – Consultant Psychiatrist



Dr Sally Wilkins is a Melbourne consultant psychiatrist and has worked in the community mental health sector for 40 years. She is a Fellow of the RANZCP and also has a Graduate Diploma in Drug and Alcohol Studies from Adelaide University.

Until her retirement in February 2018, she sat on the Forensic Leave Panel at Thomas Embling Hospital for seven years and was a Psychiatrist Member of the Victorian Mental Health Tribunal.

Sally worked as an education and training consultant for Jesuit Social Services' ReConnect team, who provide case management support in Melbourne's north west to prisoners leaving jail.

Previously, Sally was Head of Community Psychiatry at The Alfred Hospital (2002 - 2010) and before that Director of Clinical Services at the Central East Area Mental Health Service.

She worked at Collingwood Headspace for two years and was on-site Psychiatrist at Commonground in Elizabeth St - a supported accommodation service for people experiencing homelessness.

She has also spent time as Deputy Chief Psychiatrist of Victoria (2010) and was a foundation member of the Coronial Council of Victoria (2010 -2013).

She is a Board Member of HoMie - an NGO providing retail training and support for young people who have been homeless or who are experiencing hardship and need support to enter the workforce.

Her areas of professional interest are psychiatric rehabilitation and recovery, addiction medicine, risk assessment, homelessness, complex psychiatric disorders and forensic psychiatry.

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