

# ANZATSA SYMPOSIUM 2016

## COLLABORATIONS IN PRACTICE

### SEXUAL SAFETY IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE

**16–18 NOVEMBER 2016**

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## SEXUAL SAFETY IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE

The *Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse* continues to expose and highlight concerning issues, practices and real-life examples where sexual safety for our children in out-of-home care has not been achieved. Alternatively, the commission has evidenced innovative and comprehensive practice responses which in some instances have succeeded in ensuring the sexual safety of our most vulnerable children.

ANZATSA's *Collaborations in Practice: Sexual Safety in Out-of-Home Care Symposium* will be a showcase of theory, practice, innovations and concerns.

The symposium is tailored specifically for all who work in, or are involved in the out-of-home care sector as direct care providers, therapeutic specialists, child protection practitioners, educators, foster carers, kith and kin carers, policy makers and managers.

Attendees will hear from, learn from and interact with the most experienced and well regarded professionals working in this area. Issues emerging from the Royal Commission including eSafety, therapeutic care, child protection, indigenous issues, national and international innovations, education and policy will all be presented.

## About ANZATSA

- The Australia New Zealand Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abuse is dedicated to community protection and safety, through the promotion of professional standards, practices and education in sexual abuse prevention, assessment, intervention and research.
- ANZATSA is committed to community protection and safety. When considering case management or intervention, we hold the interest and safety of victims and potential victims, as always the priority.
- ANZATSA promotes knowledge of statutes and scientific data relevant to the perpetration of sexual abuse.
- ANZATSA recognises that the diverse indigenous cultures and people of Australia and New Zealand occupy a special place as the original cultures and people of both countries.
- ANZATSA seeks to ensure that professional practice is conducted in accordance with the articles contained in the Treaty of Waitangi.
- Our members carry out their work in ways appropriate to and respectful of the Maori people of Aotearoa (New Zealand) and of the Aboriginal peoples of Australia and the Torres Strait Islands. This includes consulting with, working alongside, and sharing resources with indigenous peoples.
- ANZATSA members do not discriminate against clients with regard to race, religion, gender identity, sexual preference or disability. Instead our members seek to perform professional duties with the highest level of integrity, maintaining professional confidentiality within the scope of statutory responsibilities.



# ANZATSA

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The Australian and New Zealand Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abuse

# SYMPOSIUM PRESENTERS

## Dr Howard Bath

Allambi Care

Sexual safety in out-of-home care: Then and now. Looking at the changes in out-of-home care over the past 50 years. Are young people safer now?



Biography ►

## Liana Buchanan

Principal Commissioner for Children and Young People, Victoria

“As a good parent would ...”



Biography ►

## Maree Crabbe

Reality and Risk Project, Australia

Sex education by porn?  
Young people, new sexual norms and preventing sexually abusive behaviour in an age of pornography.



Biography ►

## Commissioner Robert Fitzgerald AM

Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse

In whose interest should we act: Responding to child sexual abuse.



Biography ►

## Karen Flanagan AM

Save the Children, International

Indonesian and Cambodian experiences for children without appropriate care: Considerations/lessons for the Australian context.



Biography ►

## Professor Simon Hackett

Durham University, UK

Long-term outcomes for children and young people with harmful sexual behaviours: Trajectories of care and caring.

- Carers' narratives and experiences.
- Out-of-home care in a developmental and lifespan context.



Biography ►

## Assoc. Professor Daryl Higgins

Australian Institute of Family Studies

Principles of child-safe organisations: What does the evidence say about opportunities, and barriers, to implementation in out-of-home care.



Biography ►

## Dr Robyn Miller

MacKillop Family Services

Dilemmas and innovations in promoting and achieving sexual safety for young people in out-of-home care.



Biography ►

## Dr Kevin Powell

Colorado, USA

Strengths-based approach: Effective services for youth in out-of-home care.



Biography ►

## Dr Karen Sutherland

Department of Health and Human Services, Victoria

“I don't feel safe here”: Embracing complexity to create safety and stability for children.

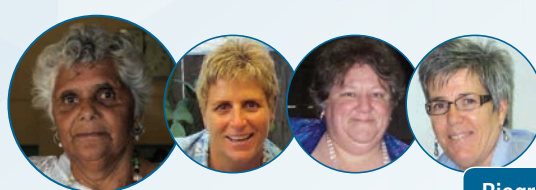


Biography ►

## Auntie Sue Blacklock AM, Karen Menzies, Gill Bonser and Paula Hayden

Winangay Resources

Understanding trauma: Implications for practice and organisations.



Biography ►

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# PRE-SYMPOSIUM WORKSHOPS

Wednesday 16 November 2016

Note all workshops are full day  
Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea provided

WORKSHOP 1	9.00 am–4.00 pm	Dr Kevin M. Powell	Tea break sponsored by Family & Community Services
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## Strengths-based approach: Effective services for youth in out-of-home care

This training will provide a comprehensive understanding of 'what is' a strengths-based approach. Many practical interventions will be described, which providers can utilise in their day-to-day work with youth and families. Specific topics that will be covered include:

- Reasons to be optimistic and promote hope within youth and families.
- Necessary characteristics/attributes for effective youth service providers.
- Strategies for engaging/motivating youth and families.
- 'Protective factors' commonly associated with 'resilient' youth.
- Strategies for increasing youths' openness and honesty when talking about their abusive behaviours, past traumas, and other sensitive issues.
- Strategies for stabilising chronically disruptive youth.
- Information on the prevention of sexual abuse and the promotion of healthy sexuality.
- The importance of evidence-based 'principles'.

In order to keep participants engaged in the training, Dr Powell utilises a multi-sensory presentation style, which includes the use of PowerPoint slides; video clips; handouts; clinical case examples to help illustrate concepts; humour; and non-threatening audience participation exercises.

WORKSHOP 2	9.00 am–4.00 pm	Maree Crabbe	Tea break sponsored by Ombudsman New South Wales
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## Sex ed by porn? – Young people, new sexual norms and preventing sexually abusive behaviour in an age of pornography

Over the past decade or so, pornography has become mainstream. For young people growing up in this era of ever-new and accessible technology it is almost impossible to avoid exposure to pornography. Consumption – particularly for young men – has become normalised.

Porn is not just fantasy: the ways young people understand and experience gender and sex are being influenced by what they – or their partners or peers – observe in porn. Pornography is now the most prominent sexuality educator for many young people. But porn is a poor and problematic sexuality educator. Porn's influence is shaping sexual expectations and norms, with serious implications for young people's capacity to understand and negotiate free and full consent, for mutual respect, and for gender equality. There is growing concern internationally that porn's influence is contributing to cultural conditions that cultivate sexual assault.

Many parents, schools, youth workers and others are unaware of the issues or feel ill-equipped to respond. For vulnerable young people and young people with sexually abusive behaviour, adults who understand the prevalence, nature and influence of pornography are even more critical. This training will provide an analysis of pornography's influence and its implications for the prevention and treatment of sexually abusive behaviour.

WORKSHOP 3	9.00 am–4.00 pm	Prof Simon Hackett	Tea break sponsored by South Eastern CASA
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## Long-term outcomes for children and young people with harmful sexual behaviours: Risk, resilience and desistance

- What is known about long-term outcomes?
- Key findings from interviews with adults who displayed HSB in their childhoods.
- Implications for assessment and interventions.

Simon will discuss findings from his study of long-term outcomes for children and young people with harmful sexual behaviours (HSB) which was funded by ESRC in the UK. Although previous research has focused on factors that may be implicated in recidivism in young people presenting with HSB, little is known internationally about the 'natural course' of HSB or about the longer-term life outcomes for young people presenting with these behaviours. This is important! If we can understand better the factors that influence these developmental outcomes both positively and negatively we can try to influence these life course issues in our work with children and young people.

The most important part of the study was the way in which we were able to identify factors associated with poor and positive outcomes at individual, relational, social and environmental levels. In the seminar, Simon will discuss these findings, illustrate them with a number of interactive case examples and will work with participants to debate and discuss the potential significance of the findings in developing interventions with children and young people that enhance their social development and support desistance from HSB.

# DAY 1 SYMPOSIUM

Thursday 17 November 2016

8.00–9.00 am	Registration open
9.00–9.15 am	Welcome to Country and welcome to the symposium
9.15–9.45 am	<b>Opening address: Dr Robyn Miller</b> <i>MacKillop Family Services</i> Dilemmas and innovations in promoting and achieving sexual safety for young people in out-of-home care.
9.45–10.30 am	<b>KEYNOTE 1: Commissioner Robert Fitzgerald AM</b> <i>Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse</i> In whose interest should we act: Responding to child sexual abuse.
10.30–11.00 am	Morning tea – Sponsored by Aboriginal Child, Family and Community Care State Secretariat (AbSec)
11.00–11.50 am	<b>KEYNOTE 2: Professor Simon Hackett</b> Long-term outcomes for children and young people with harmful sexual behaviours: Trajectories of care and caring. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Carers' narratives and experiences.</li> <li>• Out-of-home care in a developmental and lifespan context.</li> </ul>
11.50 am–12.45 pm	<b>KEYNOTE 3: Dr Karen Sutherland</b> "I don't feel safe here": Embracing complexity to create safety and stability for children (a case study).
12.45–1.45 pm	Lunch – Sponsored by NSW Health
1.45–2.30 pm	<b>KEYNOTE 4: Dr Kevin Powell</b> Strengths-based approach: Practical applications for youth in out-of-home-care.
2.30–3.15 pm	<b>Panel 1: Innovations in practice</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agency responses to sexual safety in OOHC: Current practice.</li> <li>• Does this work?</li> <li>• What is the greatest challenge to innovative responses to sexual safety issues?</li> </ul>
3.15–3.45 pm	Afternoon tea – Sponsored by Alternate Care Queensland
3.45–4.30 pm	<b>KEYNOTE 5: Dr Howard Bath</b> Sexual Safety in out-of-home-care: Then and now.
4.30–5.20 pm	<b>Presentation: Auntie Sue Blacklock AM, Karen Menzies, Gill Bonser and Paula Hayden</b> <b>Winangay Resources</b> Understanding trauma: Implications for practice and organisations.
5.20–5.30 pm	Close of day 1
5.30–7.30 pm	Cocktail party – Sponsored by Anglicare Victoria

# DAY 2 SYMPOSIUM

Friday 18 November 2016

8.00–9.00 am	Registration open
9.00–9.10 am	Welcome and introduction to day 2
9.10–10.00 am	<b>KEYNOTE 6: Liana Buchanan</b> Principal Commissioner for Children and Young People, Victoria “As a good parent would ...”
10.00–10.55 am	<b>KEYNOTE 7: Maree Crabbe</b> Making violence sexy: Porn, young people and sexuality.
10.55–11.25 am	Morning tea – Sponsored by Australian Childhood Foundation
11.25 am–12.15 pm	<b>KEYNOTE 8: Associate Professor Daryl Higgins</b> Principles of child-safe organisations: What does the evidence say about opportunities – and barriers – to implementation in out-of-home care.
12.15–1.00 pm	<b>Panel 2: Child safe communities</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Have providers of OOHC become more aware of the need to create child safe communities and how sophisticated are the current responses?</li> <li>• Integrating care: Institutions, community and family ... how?</li> </ul>
1.00–2.00 pm	Lunch – Sponsored by Wesley Mission
2.00–2.45 pm	<b>KEYNOTE 9: Karen Flanagan AM</b> International experiences for children without appropriate care – case studies from Indonesia and Cambodia: Australian considerations.
2.45–3.35 pm	<b>Panel 3: Workforce capacity: Knowledge and skills</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Training, development and support of the workforce (including carers).</li> <li>• Content, delivered by whom, to what standard.</li> <li>• Does it need to be regulated? Industry regulated or statutory?</li> </ul>
3.35–3.45 pm	<b>Closing reflections: Professor Simon Hackett</b> A comparative response reflecting current UK efforts and issues covered during the symposium.
3.45–4.00 pm	Close of symposium

# SYMPOSIUM REGISTRATION

## Prices for the symposium November 16–18, 2016

THREE DAY SYMPOSIUM REGISTRATION	Standard
ANZATSA Member*	\$600.00
Direct care providers (i.e. residential care workers, foster carers, kith and kin carers)	\$600.00
General	\$650.00
Student^	\$350.00

TWO DAY SYMPOSIUM REGISTRATION	Standard
ANZATSA Member*	\$450.00
Direct care providers (i.e. residential care workers, foster carers, kith and kin carers)	\$450.00
General	\$520.00
Student^	\$350.00

WORKSHOP – ONE DAY ONLY	
Full Day Workshop	\$270.00

<b>Symposium Cocktail Event</b> <b>Thursday 17 November, 5.30 pm–7.30 pm</b>
Complimentary with all levels of registration (includes canapes). <b>Delegates must register for this event for catering purposes.</b>

\* Delegate must be a registered member of ANZATSA.

^ Please note the discounted student registration fee is available to full time students only. We require a photocopy of your student identification at registration (scanned copy via email to [secretariat@anzatsa.org](mailto:secretariat@anzatsa.org)).

All prices are in Australian dollars.

**To register visit: [www.anzatsa.org](http://www.anzatsa.org)**

### Accommodation conditions:

The above rates are room only rates. Breakfast is served in Four Elements Restaurant at a cost of \$22 per person reduced from \$27.50 per person. The rates are eligible until 14 days prior to arrival. Only twin rooms are available for the discounted rate. Must stay minimum of 2 nights if staying Tuesday 15th November. Check-in is from 2:00pm and check-out is 11:00am. For guests that arrive early, concierge can arrange to store their luggage until their room is available for check-in. Twin rooms consist of 2 x double beds. Bedding configuration cannot be guaranteed.

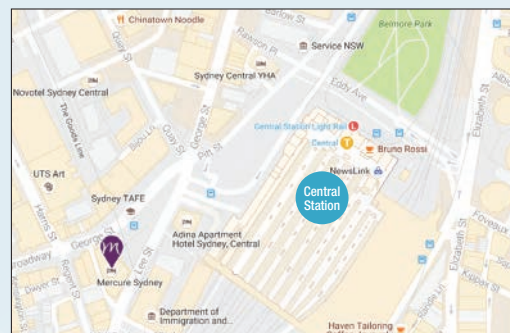
## Mercure Central Hotel 818–820 George Street Sydney

### Parking

Delegates can park at the venue at a discounted rate of \$35 per day. Contact the venue for details.

### Public transport

Mercure Sydney is just 200 m from Central station.



### Accommodation

Delegates are eligible to receive 10% discount (off the best rate available – applies to standard twin rooms only) when they book accommodation. Breakfast is also available at the discounted rate of \$22.

### Please follow the steps below to access the discounts when making a booking:

1. Call or email Mercure Central Hotel Sydney reservations ph. 02 9217 6797 email. [h2073@accor.com](mailto:h2073@accor.com)
2. Quote the ANZATSA Symposium block code **ANZATSA1116** (this code must be quoted in order for the correct rates to be offered).
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4. You will then receive a confirmation number for the booking.

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