

BRIEF CURRICULUM VITAE

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M Psych (Forensic), B Psych (Hons), MAPS**

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

During my psychology training, I worked as a Research Assistant at Macquarie University as well as the National Drug and Alcohol Research Centre. I also undertook a six month placement at LSC Psychology. I then joined the New Zealand Department of Corrections where I worked as a psychologist from 2012 to 2015. In this role, I delivered both individual and group treatment to male and female adults with a variety of offending behaviour (including violent and sexual offending). This work has taken place in city and rural community settings, as well as a variety of prison settings including segregated units, youth units and therapeutic communities.

As part of my role, I also conducted assessments for the Courts (including bail and pre-sentence reports) and the Parole Board. I have been formally trained in the gold standard of risk assessment measures for general, violent and sexual offending, as well as personality and neuropsychology assessment batteries.

In addition to my core work with clients, I have also written two treatment programmes and delivered multiple training workshops to Department staff (including prison officers, case managers and probation teams). I have spent two years as a volunteer facilitator with "Make Your Mark", a government-funded youth group designed to enhance leadership and self-efficacy skills among troubled teens aged 12-18.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

I have a Masters Degree in Forensic Psychology from the University of New South Wales. For my thesis, I completed research in the area of children with conduct problems and callous-unemotional traits. My Honours degree in Psychology was completed at Macquarie University, and looked at strategies to mitigate the harm caused by online aggression.

PRESENTATIONS, PUBLICATIONS AND RESEARCH

- 2015 Publication: Dadds, M., Gale, N., Godbee, M., Moul, C., Pasalich, D., Fink, E., Hawes, D. (2015). Expression and regulation of attachment-related emotions in children with conduct problems and callous-unemotional traits. *Child Psychiatry & Human Development*.
- Presentation: Psychology of Criminal Conduct - Guest Lecturer at University of Waikato
- 2014 Research Paper: Community Involvement in the Reintegration of High Risk Violent Offenders
- 2013 Presentation: Working with Female Offenders – Department of Corrections, New Zealand
- 2012 Presentation: Emotion Regulation in Children With Conduct Problems – Annual Forensic Psychology Conference
- 2010 Research Paper: Online Aggression in Young Adults
- Research Paper: The Impact of Parenting Skills Training on Communication Between Mothers and Babies