

Australasian Psychology Services

Professional Assessment, Treatment & Consultation

CURRICULUM VITAE

DR. DION GEE

PROFESSIONAL
REGISTRATIONS

Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA):

Psychologist with General Registration and Endorsement (Forensic Psychology) since 19.12.2010.

- Approved Supervisor for the Psychology Board of Australia (PBA): Approval in full since 22.05.2013.
- Victorian Registration Board, Australia: Full registration since 29.06.2000 (probationary registration from 15.07.1998).
- **Australian Psychological Society (APS):** Full Member since 01.06.2009.
- **APS College of Forensic Psychologists:** Full Member since 21.08.2009.
- British Psychological Society (BPS): Full Member 05.07.2002 01.06.2008.
- Approved Supervisor of Psychiatric Registrars (RANZCP): For the Royal Australian & New Zealand College of Psychiatrists.

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RELEVANT POST-DOCTORAL TRAINING

Dr Gee has received specialist training in the assessment, formulation, and treatment of individuals who have committed sexually aberrant and/or violent behaviours. He also has training in, and experiencing using of a number of best-practice Structured Professional Judgment (SPJ) guidelines/risk management tools including:

- Historical Clinical Risk-20 (HCR-20)
- Hare Psychopathy Check List (PCL)
- Sexual Violence Risk-20 (SVR-20)
- Stalking Assessment and Management (SAM)
- Suicidal Behaviours Risk Evaluation (SBRE)
- Spousal Assault Risk Assessment Guide (SARA)
- Risk of Sexual Violence Protocol (RSVP)
- Promoting Risk Intervention by Situational Management (PRISM)
- Short-Term Assessment of Risk and Treatability (START)
- Stalking Risk Profile (SRP)
- Assessment of Risk & Manageability of Intellectually Disabled Individuals who Offend (ARMIDILO)

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RELEVANT EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

2008 - Current: Forensicare - Acute Assessment Unit (AAU)

Position: Senior Psychologist.

The AAU is a 16-bed unit within the Melbourne Assessment Prison responsible for providing statewide assessment and acute intervention services for adult male prisoners presenting with mental health concerns in custodial settings. The unit is also the gateway to/from the only adult male forensic mental health hospital in Victoria. The role includes clinical (i.e., mental illness, personality disorder, cognitive ability) and forensic (e.g., offending behaviour, various forms of deception) assessments, and intervention; both on the AAU, and through outpatient services to the general prison population.

2008 - Current: Forensicare - Custody Court Report Service

Position: Senior Psychologist.

The role involves writing psychological reports at the request of the various Courts of Victoria (Magistrates' Court, County Court, Supreme Court, and the Adult Parole Board). Generally, assessments involve those individuals with more complex presentations/multiple needs; including cognitive impairment, acquired brain injury, mental illness, addictions, personality disorder, offending behaviour, and impaired mental functioning.

2003 - 2008: Thornford Park Hospital - Priory Secure Services

Position: Chartered Forensic Psychologist.

Thornford Park Hospital is a secure mental health facility in England that provides inpatient services for men and women (18+) detained under the Mental Health Act 1983 (UK), whose offending falls on the more extreme end of the behaviour spectrum. The role included: Psychological assessment, intervention, and risk management planning; clinical supervision; secondary consultation with staff around psychological intervention/risk management; and, staff training. Reports were prepared for, and evidence presented at, Mental Health Review Tribunals. Service development included: the construction of a general risk management tool (B-RAM); developing a proposal around service provision for sexual offenders with personality disorders and/or mental illness detained in secure settings; and, participation in the risk management group within the hospital.

2001 - 2002: Australian Community Support Organisation

Position: Consultant Psychologist (Forensic).

ACSO provides intervention and residential programs/outreach for: intellectual disabled residents (some of whom have committed sexual and/or non-sexual offences); clients with a dual diagnosis (e.g. intellectual disability and mental illness); and, adolescents who present with challenging behaviours. Responsibilities included: primary/secondary consultation of clients, consulting on environmental and client management within residential units, one-to-one anger management/ behavioural interventions, and the implementation of staff training packages.

2001 - 2002: Australasian Community Support Organisation

Position: Project Officer.

Responsibilities included: evaluating the training needs of employees and developing a staff training package; advising management on best practice intervention philosophies for residents and intellectual disabled offenders; developing an intake assessment protocol; establishing a research focus within the organization; and, developing a child abuse & neglect policy.

1998 - 2000: Victorian Offender Support Agency

Position: Intellectual Disability Support Officer.

VOSA provided 24-hour, staffed residential services for clients with intellectual disabilities who had come in contact with the criminal justice system. The focus was on independent living skills training, rehabilitation, and relapse prevention. Responsibilities included: participation in all activities of daily living and recreation, accompanying residents to programs, liaising with organizations and agencies involved with offender populations, and overseeing life-skills programs.

CONSULTANCY

2000 - 2002: Professional consultation in the form of court reports and opinions relating to forensic psychology matters.

- NORTH HARBOUR CHAMBERS.
- INVESTIGATION MANAGEMENT CONSULTANCY.
- WEST AUCKLAND LAW OFFICE.

QUALIFICATIONS

1998 - 2000: Doctor of Psychology (Forensic). University of Melbourne, Australia.

- Admitted to the degree of the Doctor of Psychology on 01.12.2001.

1995 - 1997: Master of Science – with 1st Class Honours in Psychology. University of Canterbury, Christchurch, New Zealand.

- Admitted to the degree of the Master of Science on 04.03.1998.

1991 - 1994: Bachelor of Science (major in psychology). University of Auckland, New Zealand.

- Admitted to the degree of the Bachelor of Science on 06.05.1994.

RELEVANT VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

1996: Alcohol & Drug Rehabilitation Centre

Participation in the Salvation Army Drug and Alcohol Service. This involved the group program for alcohol and drug dependent clients. It also meant helping set up an after-care centre for post program clients.

1995: Lifeline Telephone Counselling Service

Participation in the lifeline telephone counselling training.

PUBLICATIONS/ PRESENTATIONS

- Gee, D. G. (2013) Court Reports in the *Verdins* era. Presentation for the APS College of Forensic Psychologists: <u>Forensic report writing What not to do!</u> Thomas Embling Hospital, Fairfield (VIC), 5th March 2013
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- Gee, D. G., (1997). Child Sex Offender Treatment: The effects of voluntary exclusion. Unpublished Masters Thesis submitted in partial fulfilment of the Master of Psychology degree. University of Canterbury, Christchurch: New Zealand. Supervised by Assoc. Prof. Steve Hudson.

WORKS IN PROGRESS

- Gee, D. G., Ogloff, J. R. P. & Sullivan, D. (2013). Practice Guidelines: Conducting presentence evaluations in the wake of *R v Verdins, Buckley and Vo* [2007].
- Gee, D. G. (2013). The burden and effect of imprisonment under *Verdins*: The nexus between DSM-5 personality pathology and solitary confinement when sentencing offenders with impaired mental functioning.

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