

DIRECTOR'S INTRODUCTION

The Bouverie Centre, Victoria's Family Institute combines clinical family therapy, academic teaching, workforce development and research in one integrated service. Our work focuses on the fundamental role of the family and social networks in fostering social, emotional and mental wellbeing.

The Bouverie Centre's close relationship with academics, clinicians, managers and bureaucrats in the human services field enables us to translate socially responsible innovations into practice and to provide a bridge between the University and the broader community.

The next three years will see the continued development of The Bouverie Centre as an integrated values-driven learning organisation. Six strategic objectives aim to increase the impact of our work and prepare us for the future.

VISION

Healthy relationships in families.

MISSION

Our mission is to improve the lives of individuals and families through relationship focused services. We engage others using a systemic paradigm to promote healthy relationships and productive change. We conceptualise, develop and deliver innovative services inspired by family therapy and family sensitive practices; and honed by stakeholder feedback.

Building on our friendly and professional culture, The Bouverie Centre uses all of the knowledge gained from being a learning organisation and from the integration of our programs to help families enjoy healthy relationships.

VALUES

The Bouverie Centre is a values-driven learning organisation that embraces:

- Openness, reflection and continual development
- Goodwill, generosity and good humour
- Commitment, passion and hard work
- The appreciation of complexity and context
- Embracing diversity and mutual respect
- Flexibility and versatility
- Innovation, creativity and discipline
- Non-blaming, warmth and directness
- Competence, excellence and leadership
- Making a difference

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INFLUENCE

To build Bouverie's profile and relevance by influencing policy, opinion and practice.

2

ACCESSIBILITY

To make our services, resources and expertise accessible to a wider range of people.

3

EVIDENCE

To ensure that Bouverie's leadership in family focused work is informed and extended by evidence and up-to-date research.

4

THE RIGHT PEOPLE

To provide a rich work culture where people are supported to grow personally and professionally.

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PRACTICE INNOVATION

To promote innovation and its translation into services; building on our strengths and targeting key emerging international developments.

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DIVERSITY

To be inclusive of diverse and lived experience in the development and delivery of our services.