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INTRODUCTION

The Australian Research Centre in Sex, Health and Society (ARCSHS) is based at La Trobe University, Melbourne and is a centre for social research into sexuality, health and the social dimensions of sex and human relationships.

It works collaboratively and in partnership with academic research institutions, communities and community-based organisations, governments, international aid agencies and professionals in relevant fields to produce research that advances knowledge and promotes positive change in policy, practice and people’s lives.

ARCSHS sits within the School of Psychology and Public Health, and the College of Science, Health and Engineering at La Trobe.

ARCSHS Strategic and Scientific Advisory Committee

The role of the ARCSHS Strategic and Scientific Advisory Committee (SSAC) is to provide strategic direction and high-level advice to the ARCSHS Director and the Centre. The SSAC considers:

- Strategic directions and progress against the mission, aims and priorities outlined in the ARCSHS Strategic Plan.
- Specific contextual and scientific developments in areas relevant to the Centre’s research program.
- Important issues for the sustainability and management of the Centre.

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2015 has been a great year for ARCSHS with successes in many areas of our work.

Major Achievements
It was a great pleasure to again celebrate our top ranking in the Australia Research Council (ARC) Excellence in Research in Australia (ERA) exercise. ARCSHS’ work was represented by the 4-digit Field of Research code of 1199 Other Medical & Health Science and again received a ranking of 5 (Well above world standard). This is a wonderful result for the Centre and demonstrates the world-class quality of the research we do.

We began the year with the welcome news that two research projects received funding from the ARC – Muscling up: Australian Men, Sexualisation and Body Image Enhancement and Combating the Rapid Rise of Sexually Transmitted Infections among Older Australians – Improving Safe-Sex Practice and Health, Social and Economic Outcomes. During 2015, the Centre also received the exciting news of a successful ARC Discovery Early Career Researcher Award to Dr Tiffany Jones. Dr Jacqui Richmond also commenced her National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) Translation of Research into Practice (TRIP) Fellowship.

It was also a great year for Gay and Lesbian Health Victoria (GLHV), with funding announced from the Victorian State government for Safe Schools Coalition Victoria, Rainbow Network and the Healthy Equal Youth Project, which aims to reduce self-harm and suicide among same sex attracted and sex and gender diverse young people and improve their mental health and well-being. Val’s Café, a network that seeks to promote healthy ageing and improve the health of older lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex (LGBTI) people, also received a further three years funding.

New Research
Following on from the release of Private Lives 2 in 2012, ARCSHS was thrilled to release A Closer Look at Private Lives 2 as a companion report in April. The report focussed particularly on the mental health and well-being of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) Australians. It looked at the variations in psychological distress and resilience between LGBT and mainstream communities, and variations within LGBT communities according to gender identity, sexual identity, age and socio-economic status. The report was launched by the Hon Martin Foley, Victorian Minister for Mental Health, Equality, Disability and Ageing, Housing and Creative Industries.

This year also marked the launch of the eighth round of the HIV Futures survey. This is the only regular national survey of people living with HIV in Australia. It covers health, treatments, work, finances, sex and relationships. The survey was re-developed in consultation with a variety of community groups and it is officially supported by the National Association of People with HIV Australia, the Australian Federation of AIDS Organisations and the Australasian Society of HIV Medicine.

Research Output
ARCSHS staff had another productive year, with 50 refereed journal articles published and a further 27 accepted or advanced publications. The Centre also produced another 60 other publications (reports, monographs and non-refereed publications). Staff also presented their findings at over 100 international and national conferences, or other meetings in the academic, community or government sectors.

Conferences
The Centre played an important role at the annual Australasian HIV and AIDS Conference, held in Brisbane in September. Staff members presented on findings drawn from the previous Futures surveys, research and policy work on HIV and mobility, chaired sessions and staffed an ARCSHS booth at the event. The Centre also participated in the Youth Health Conference in Melbourne in November, hosting a booth and presenting on a symposium on gender-affirming schools (supporting gender diverse and transgender students).

A number of staff also attended international events including the 10th Biennial Conference of the International Association for the Study of Sexuality, Culture and Society in Dublin in June, the 3rd Biennial Conference of the Association for the Social Sciences and Humanities in HIV in Stellenbosch in July, and the North American Forum on Family Planning in Chicago in November.

Jack Wallace attended the first World Hepatitis Summit in Glasgow in September, with support from the Coalition to Eradicate Viral Hepatitis in Asia-Pacific. The conference was a joint effort by the World Health Organization and World Hepatitis Alliance to scale up the world’s response to hepatitis. Jack continues to be part of important global, regional and national policy development in this area.
In October, Catherine Barrett and her team hosted the highly successful 2nd National LGBTI Ageing and Aged Care conference. This attracted media attention and participation across a range of sectors.

In 2015 Graham Brown and Jayne Russell were awarded a conference travel award from the Edward Hagenlocher estate to present work in the area of HIV and AIDS.

Policy Contributions
Two ARCSHS staff members were invited to present at the Victorian Royal Commission into Family Violence. Sue Dyson presented on a day dedicated to ‘Culture change in workplaces and the community’, while Philomena Horsley presented on a day devoted to ‘Diversity of experiences, community attitudes and structural impediments’.

The Director of GLHV, Liam Leonard, was also invited to appear at the Senate Inquiry into the matter of a popular vote, in the form of a plebiscite or referendum, on the matter of marriage equality in Australia. With marriage equality legalised in Ireland and the USA nationally this year, let’s hope that change in Australia is just around the corner. Findings by ARCSHS researchers Emily Bariola and Anthony Lyons published this year support the case for policy change, linking same sex marriage to better health.

Media and Social Media
Stories in the mainstream media based on our research and activities attracted an audience of around 4 million in 2015. Notable examples include a number of stories about sexuality and ageing, street-based sexual harassment, and a new sex education resource called ‘Ask Grandad’ that featured Ian Smith (Harold from ‘Neighbours’).

ARCSHS’ profile in social media and the web continued to grow. Our followers on the ARCSHS Twitter and Facebook accounts almost doubled during the year. In July alone, our Tweets reached 62,000 Twitter users. Many of our staff write for The Conversation, and my own column ‘Facts of Life: Views on sex, health and society’ has generated 100,000 readers for some stories and additional mainstream media interest of similar size.

ARCSHS is also home to a range of programs that promote research translation. These programs, many of which are part of GLHV, have an impressive public profile. Across all ARCSHS associated social media accounts this adds up to over 2,500 followers on Facebook and over 4,000 on Twitter, as well as 6,000 subscribers to newsletters. The combined visits to websites and projects based at ARCSHS are over 10,000 a month.

Staff
We were thrilled this year to have our own Emeritus Professor Anne Mitchell inducted into the 2015 Victorian Honour Roll of Women. This annual induction recognises the achievements of remarkable Victorian women who have demonstrated leadership and excellence in their field. Anne has had a significant influence in bringing positive change to the fields of education, community development and sexual health.

We have farewelled a number of staff throughout the year. I would particularly like to recognise Jenny Walsh and Catherine Barrett, both of whom have worked for ARCSHS for many years. Jenny finished up two major Commonwealth Department of Health funded projects to provide classroom resources to support high quality sexuality education. Catherine also completed a large Department of Social Services project in the area of sexuality and ageing. Samantha Croy, Jen Dixon, Duane Duncan, Gillian Fletcher, Natalie Hendry, Kylie Johnston, Timothy Jones, Kent Patrick, Daniel Reeder, Lottie Turner and Carolyn Whyte also left us to pursue other opportunities.

We welcomed a number of staff in 2015, including Melanie Gaylard, Jami Jones, Pam Kennedy, Matthew Parsons and Andrea Waling. Wendy Heywood and Rachel Thorpe also took on new roles in the Centre after completing their PhDs. Our postgraduate program went from strength to strength with four students being awarded their PhDs, another awaiting results, and a number of others in the writing-up stage. Former staff members Daniel du Plooy and Tomas Rozbroj have changed roles to take up the challenge of PhD studies at ARCSHS.

I would like to thank everyone for their hard work contributing to all the activities of the Centre this year, including the numerous casual staff that helped on various projects. Thank you for your dedication, passion and everything you do to make ARCSHS the special place it is. 2015 has been a year of remarkable achievements, and I look forward to building on these successes with you next year.
SUMMARY OF FUNDING SOURCES

TOTAL
$5.036 m

- Australian competitive grants: 11%
- Postgraduate teaching income: 1%
- Undergraduate teaching income: 3%
- Miscellaneous income: 2%
- La Trobe University funding: 16%
- Industry and other income: 8%
- Other public sector income – State and local: 22%
- Other public sector income – Commonwealth: 37%
ARCSHS’ mission as stated in the plan is as follows:

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The plan outlines three main aims for the coming three years:

- **Aim 1: Build new knowledge**
- **Aim 2: Build research impact**
- **Aim 3: Build a strong research centre**

For each of these aims, the Centre has adopted actions towards achieving these aims and measures to track performance over time. The Strategic Plan is a key public document that outlines ARCSHS’ mission, strategic direction, aims and expectations of performance for the period 2016-2019. It will be reviewed annually with input from all staff to track progress against key performance indicators and to revise plans for the coming year. A new plan will be prepared by 2019.

**Research themes**

Since its beginnings in 1992, ARCSHS has become the major player in framing the agenda on, and delivering the evidence to understand, sex and sexuality in contemporary Australia, particularly in relation to health, education and social justice.

Through surveys of the general population, the Centre has helped track patterns and practices during the life course and over time. ARCSHS also looks specifically at aspects of health and well-being with diverse sexuality and gender minorities, including same-sex-attracted and gender-questioning young people, older people, and those focused on the intersection of sexuality with other issues such as disability and mental health.

ARCSHS is one of four national centres funded to undertake strategic research as part of Australia’s national response to HIV, viral hepatitis and sexually transmissible infections. This includes research that directly informs indicators in these strategies relating to the quality of life of people living with HIV, hepatitis B and C, and the sexual health of young people.

ARCSHS has unique expertise in community-engaged research, particularly working with marginalised and difficult-to-reach communities. The Centre uses a partnership approach at all stages of the research process, including prioritisation of relevant community participation in formulating research questions, designing and conducting research, and in the dissemination and application of results.

The Centre specialises in using research findings to produce training and educational resources for practitioners and to advise policy development. ARCSHS provides invaluable and widely used resources and training for teachers, health practitioners, and community and aged-care workers.

The Centre works in partnership with government, service providers and community organisations to influence and change policy to reflect the latest evidence and achieve better outcomes.

Over the next three years, ARCSHS will maintain and expand the following research themes as areas of established strength:

- Lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex health and well-being
- Blood-borne virus and sexually transmissible infections
- Gender, sexuality and social theory

In addition, the Centre will seek to develop the following as emerging research themes:

- School-based sexuality education
- Sexual and reproductive health and rights
- Policy, community and health services

Working internationally is a feature of much of ARCSHS’ research, but particularly in the areas of HIV and viral hepatitis. This will continue to be a focus running through the research themes outlined above. The Centre has provided social research and capacity-building projects, particularly in Asia and the Pacific, and technical advice through relationships with the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, the World Health Organization, the Joint United Nations Programme of HIV/AIDS, and the Coalition for the Eradication of Viral Hepatitis in Asia Pacific.
2015 HIGHLIGHTS

**Journal articles**
- 50 Refereed plus 27 advanced publications
- 41 Non-refereed
- 20 Monographs and reports

**Presentations**
- 56 at meetings
- 17 international conferences
- 52 national conferences

**Journals**
- 91 Journal reviews
- 18 Editorial roles in journal

**Books**
- 9 Book sections
**Budget**

- 30 Equivalent Full Time (EFT) Staff
- 22 PhD students (4 completions)
- 5,500 people received training
- **$5.036 m** in funding

**Sector participation**

- 22 International academic societies/associations
- 10 Commonwealth government advisory groups
- 15 State government advisory groups
- 66 Boards/steering groups of community organisations

**Media profile**

- 41 Newspaper, magazine and electronic articles
- 24 Media appearances
- 10,000 hits and downloads a month across associated websites
- 4,250 Twitter followers
- 2,500 Facebook followers
- 6,000 newsletter subscribers
- 4,000,000 audience reached through mainstream media
**RESEARCH PROJECTS**

**Combating the Rapid Rise of Sexually Transmissible Infections among Older Australians: Improving Safe-Sex Practice and Health, Social and Economic Outcomes**

Australian Research Council Discovery Project

Anthony Lyons, Victor Minichiello, Catherine Barrett, Graham Brown, Sharron Hinchliff (University of Sheffield, UK), Jo Root (Council on the Ageing), Brony Dow (National Ageing Research Institute), Bianca Fileborn, Wendy Heywood, Pauline Cramer

This project involves a national survey and face-to-face interviews with Australians aged 60 years and older. It seeks to understand why rates of sexually transmissible infections have risen amongst older Australians by exploring their experiences of sex and relationships, safe-sex practices and knowledge of sexual health.

**Sexual Well-being and Ageing: A Study of Older Australian Women**

Australian Research Council Discovery Project

Marian Pitts, Victor Minichiello, Gail Hawkes

This study addresses important issues of ageism and sexism that together affect older women's health and well-being. The findings will inform the link between ageing, sexuality and more general dimensions of health and well-being, and advance our understanding of issues central to policy and services for older Australians.

**Muscling Up: Australian Men, Sexualisation and Body Image Enhancement**

Australian Research Council Discovery Project

Gary Dowsett, Duane Duncan, Steven Angelides, Andrea Waling, Andrew Westle

This study focuses on men's views on male body image and the social pressures for bodily development based upon appearance. The study uses interviews and focus groups to examine how male bodies are represented in popular culture and the ways in which men's sexuality and appearances are changing.

**Whose Family Values? The New Christian Right and Sexual Politics in Postsecular Australia**

Australian Research Council Discovery Early Career Researcher Award

Timothy Jones, Keir Wotherspoon

This project is investigating how the resurgence of the Christian Right in Australia since the 1960s has influenced understandings of religion, love and sex. In doing so, it is combating the usually neglected place of religion in contemporary Australian history and analysing the historically contingent nature of the relationship between religious and sexual discrimination.

**Does Talking about Sexuality Change the Game?**

Victorian Health Promotion Foundation

Gillian Fletcher (La Trobe University)

This research examined the experiences and opinions of sports people within Victoria in relation to sexuality, participation and inclusion. A set of principles of inclusion and participation were developed in collaboration with VicHealth and VicSport.

**Contraceptive Use, Pregnancy Intention and Decisions of Australian Women (CUPID): A Longitudinal Study of Patterns of Contraception Use and Access to Contraceptive Information, Advice and Services for Young Australian Women**

Australian Research Council Linkage Project, Family Planning NSW, Bayer Australia

Jayne Lucke, Deborah Loxton (University of Newcastle), Christina Lee (University of Queensland), Annette Dobson (University of Queensland), Ian Fraser (University of Sydney), Edith Weisberg (Family Planning NSW)

This longitudinal study examined patterns of contraceptive use among a national sample of 18-23 year old Australian women. It explored factors associated with unintended pregnancy and the types of contraceptive methods used by women reporting an unintended pregnancy. It also examined access to contraceptive information, advice and services.

**Australian Contraceptive ChOiCe PRoject (ACCORD): Increasing the Use of Long Acting Reversible Contraception**

National Health and Medical Research Council Project Grant

Danielle Mazza (Monash University), Kirsten Black (University of Sydney), Jayne Lucke, Angela Taft (La Trobe University), Kevin McGeechan (University of Sydney), Marion Haas (University of Technology Sydney), Jeffrey Peipert (Washington University, USA)

ACCORD offers GPs across Victoria specialised training in long-acting reversible contraceptives (LARCs). It will recruit 60 GPs to undertake training in ‘LARC First’ contraceptive counselling and rapid referral for insertion. The study will examine whether improved knowledge and rapid referral increases LARC uptake and reduces unintended pregnancies.

**Monopoly Study**

National Health and Medical Research Council Project Grant

Garrett Prestage (ARCSHS and the Kirby Institute), Duane Duncan (ARCSHS and the University of New England), Jeffrey Grierson (Anglia Ruskin University, UK)

This was a national survey of gay men’s relationships. Over 4,000 gay and bisexual men completed an online questionnaire about their relationships.

**Men’s Own: Health Behaviours of Young Australian Gay Men**

Commonwealth Department of Health

Anthony Lyons, Warwick Hosking (ARCSHS and Victoria University)

This project explored the health behaviours of gay men aged 18-39 years. It involved a national survey of 1,000+ participants with a 12-month follow-up. The project provided a detailed examination of the lives and lifestyles of young Australian gay men, including physical, mental and sexual health.
Mental Health, Resilience and Sexual Recovery among Gay Men with Prostate Cancer
beyondblue
Gary Dowsett, Garrett Prestage (ARCSHS and the Kirby Institute), Duane Duncan, Daniel du Plooy, Andrea Waling
This study investigated the experiences of Australian gay men and their partners, following a diagnosis of, and treatment for, prostate cancer, in particular focusing on mental and sexual health. The study was funded by beyondblue’s National Priority Driven Research Program–Men’s Stream (funded by The Movember Foundation), from 2013–2015.

From Blues to Rainbows: The Mental Health and Well-being of Gender Diverse and Transgender Young People in Australia
beyondblue
Lynne Hillier, Anne Mitchell, Elizabeth Smith, Tiffany Jones (ARCSHS and the University of New England), Jennifer Dixon, Roz Ward
This mixed-methods study explored the mental health and well-being of gender diverse and transgender young people (14–25 years) in Australia. Main findings included: the degree of gender and sexuality diversity among the participants, the high levels of engagement with activism, and the protective role that teachers can play.

Improving Online Therapy for Mood Disorders among Lesbians and Gay Men
beyondblue
Anthony Lyons, Tomas Rozbroj, Marian Pitts, Anne Mitchell, Marina Carman, Helen Christensen (Black Dog Institute)
This project developed the world’s first set of guidelines for making web and app-based therapies for depression and anxiety more inclusive and relevant to lesbians and gay men.

A Closer Look at Private Lives 2: Addressing the Mental Health and Well-being of LGBT Australians
beyondblue and the Movember Foundation
William Leonard, Anthony Lyons, Emily Bariola
This project is a second phase of Private Lives 2: The Second National Survey of the Health and Well-being of LGBT Australians. It involved a targeted analysis of the mental health of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender Australians, with particular focus on psychological distress and resilience in relation to sexual identity, gender identity, age, discrimination, harassment, substance use, community engagement and health service use.

Resource Kit Targeting Depression and Anxiety among Older Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender and Intersex Australians
beyondblue
Briony Dow (National Ageing Research Institute), Catherine Barrett, Phil Maude (RMIT), Jean Tinney (National Ageing Research Institute), Carolyn Whyte
This project involved interviews with 30 older LGBTI Australians to document their strategies for promoting their mental well-being.

GLBTIQ People’s Participation in Cervical Cancer Screening
Cancer Council Victoria (PapScreen)
Sue Dyson, Elizabeth Smith
This project surveyed gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, intersex and queer people’s participation in Pap testing in Victoria.

Support for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Intersex People
Commonwealth Department of Social Services
Catherine Barrett, Pauline Crameri, J. R. Latham, Carolyn Whyte, Sally Lambourne (Alzheimer’s Australia NSW)
This grant was provided to develop a range of activities to support LGBTI inclusive aged care services in Australia. The projects involved partnerships with key stakeholders and developing evidence bases on the experiences and needs of older LGBTI people. The projects completed as part of the support activities included:...
of this program included: ‘We are still gay’, a study exploring the experiences and needs of LGBT people living with dementia in partnership with Alzheimer’s Australia; ‘We are people first’: trans health and ageing, a study in partnership with Transgender Victoria, the Gender Centre NSW and FTM Shed; ‘An extra degree of difficulty’, a study exploring the experiences and needs of older LGBTI carers and the carers of older LGBTI people, in partnership with Carers Australia; ‘As we age’, an evidence-based guide to intersex ageing and inclusive services, in collaboration with Organisation Intersex International Australia; ‘Operation LOLA’: Linking Older LGBTI and their Allies, in partnership with COTA Victoria; ‘On the same page’, a project looking at the influence of staff values and beliefs on LGBTI inclusive aged care services; and the 2nd Val’s Café National LGBTI Ageing and Aged Care Conference.

Val’s Café
Victorian Department of Health and Human Services
Pauline Crameri, Catherine Barrett, Carolyn Whyte
Val’s Café seeks to promote healthy ageing pathways and improve the health and visibility of older LGBTI Australians by facilitating a network of nearly 600 health and aged care service providers, older LGBTI people and community members. Val’s Café provides evidence-based information to inform improvements in policy, service delivery and the lives of older LGBTI people.

Delivery of National LGBTI Aged Care Training in Victoria, 2014-2016
National LGBTI Health Alliance
Philomena Horsley
This project involves the delivery of one-day national LGBTI awareness training to the Victorian aged care sector – residential and community based services. During 2015, the training included over 520 staff from 130 different organisations.

‘Fair Go, Sport!’ Phase Two
Victorian Equal Opportunity and Human Rights Commission
Gillian Fletcher (La Trobe University), Lottie Turner
This evaluation of Phase Two of the Victorian Equal Opportunity and Human Rights Commission project found that much good work was being done, but that greater attention needed to be paid to the action research process.

Women’s Health West United Project Evaluation
Women’s Health West
Sue Dyson, Elizabeth Smith
This project evaluated the United project intervention in 14 local government and community health services in the west of Melbourne during 2012-2015.

Work, Women and the Menopause: A Pilot Study
La Trobe Research Focus Area—Building Healthy Communities
Gavin Jack (Monash University), Marian Pitts, Jan Schapper (La Trobe University), Kat Riach (Monash University), Emily Bariola, Phil Sarrel (Yale University, USA)
The project examined whether and how symptoms of the menopause affect working women and identified strategies at both the individual and the organisational level for successful transition and management of the menopause within the workplace. Data were collected from female employees in three universities in Victoria, using interviews and an online survey in 2014.

If the Shoe Fits: Exploring Footwear Choice and Problems
La Trobe Building Health Communities Research Focus Area
Hylynn Menz (La Trobe University School of Allied Health), Rachel Thorpe, Karl Landorf (La Trobe University School of Allied Health), Marian Pitts, Gail Hawkes
This collaboration explores the relationship of shoes to women’s identity over the life span and identifies ways to prevent foot problems before they develop in middle and older age.

What Does It Take? Developing Informed and Effective Tertiary Responses to Violence and Abuse for Women and Girls with Disabilities in Australia
Australia’s National Research Organisation for Women’s Safety (ANROWS)
Patsie Frawley (Deakin University), Sue Dyson, Sally Robinson (Southern Cross University)
This two-year national project investigates models of service for women with disabilities who have experienced domestic violence or sexual assault. The mixed-methods research will result in an in-depth understanding of current mainstream and specialist approaches, and guidelines for best practice for women with disabilities seeking support to leave family or domestic violence.

Shouting Back: Exploring Street Harassment Victim’s Justice Needs and Justice Responses
La Trobe Research Focus Area—Transforming Human Societies
Bianca Fileborn
This project explores street harassment victims’ justice needs and their preferred justice responses. Given the dearth of research on street harassment in Australia, this research also seeks to explore participants’ experiences of street harassment and the ways in which these experiences are shaped or informed by gender, sexual orientation and ethnicity.

Older Women’s Right to be Safe at Home and in Care
Victorian Women’s Trust
Bianca Fileborn, Catherine Barrett, Sue Hendy (Council on the Ageing, Victoria)
This project utilises case studies from aged care service providers (home and residential aged care) to provide exemplar strategies and a road map for prevention to respond to allegations of sexual assault.

Preventing Harm, Promoting Justice: Legal Responses to ‘Gay Conversion’ Therapy
La Trobe Research Focus Area—Transforming Human Societies
Timothy Jones, William Leonard, Anna Brown (Human Rights Law Centre)
This project explores the history, prevalence and nature of the ex-gay movement in Australia. Ex-gay therapy is a counselling practice aimed at making lesbian and gay people ‘straight’ or, at the very least, assisting them to repress their same-sex attraction. Emerging evidence suggests that ex-gay therapy causes considerable harm to lesbian and gay people; yet, very little is known about its nature, prevalence and potential harms in Australia. In partnership with the Human Rights Law Centre, the project will provide evidence to determine...
Sin and Silence: Changing Theological Approaches to Clerical Child Sex Offenders

Australian Research Theology Foundation
Timothy Jones, Kate Davison

This project is investigating developments in theological understandings of clerical sex offenders during the twentieth century. The project aims to expand understanding of the ways religious understandings of sex crimes influenced the churches' responses to allegations of child sex abuse. In particular, it seeks to reveal how silence on child sex offending was produced and perpetuated.

Rainbow Tick Accreditation Program

Licencing agreement with Quality innovation Performance
Pam Kennedy, William Leonard, Sunil Patel, Philomena Horsley

The Rainbow Tick Accreditation Program is a national LGBTI-inclusive accreditation program. The Rainbow Tick comprises six standards against which organisations can be accredited to demonstrate that all their practices, procedures and protocols are LGBTI-inclusive. The Rainbow Tick Standards were developed by Gay and Lesbian Health Victoria in collaboration with Quality Innovation Performance (QIP), a not-for-profit accreditation organisation dedicated to delivering accreditation and support services to a diverse range of organisations. Organisations that gain Rainbow Tick accreditation are listed on a national registry.

Healthy Equal Youth Project: A Victorian Same-Sex Attracted and Sex and Gender Diverse Youth Suicide Prevention Initiative

Victorian Department of Health and Human Services
William Leonard

The HEY Project aims to reduce self-harm and suicide among SSASGD young people and improve their mental health and well-being. The Project provides funding for ten agencies, each of which has particular expertise and experience in working with, and on behalf of, SSASGD young people. HEY is jointly managed by GLHV and the Youth Affairs Council of Victoria.

Something for Them: Addressing the Needs of Same-sex-attracted and Sex and Gender Diverse Young People who are Newly Arrived, Refugees or Asylum Seekers

Asia Altman Sub-fund, Australian Communities Foundation
William Leonard, David Mejia–Canales

This project builds on the recommendations of an earlier pilot project, Nothing for Them (2014), which aimed to understand the support needs of SSASGD young people who are newly arrived, refugees or seeking asylum. Stage two of the project, Something for Them, relies on reviews of the legal and social standing of newly arrived SSASGD young people in their countries of origin and Australia’s obligations towards refugees and asylum seekers under international law. The project’s key findings and recommendations will be published in a community report in 2016.

What Works and Why (W3) Project: Understanding What Works and Why in Peer-based Health Promotion Approaches in HIV and Hepatitis C

Commonwealth Department of Health
Graham Brown, Daniel Reeder, Annie Madden (Australian Injecting and Illicit Drug Users League), Gari-Emma Perry (WA Substance Users Association), Rob Lake (Australian Federation of AIDS Organisations), Colin Batrouney (Victorian AIDS Council), Aaron Cogle (National Association of People Living with HIV Australia), Brent Allan (Living Positive Victoria), Craig Cooper (Positive Life NSW), Simon O’Connor (Queensland Positive People), Janelle Fawkes (Scarlet Alliance, Australian Sex Worker Association)

The W3 Project collaborates with peer-based programs in community organisations to trial the application of ‘systems thinking’ and ‘quality improvement approaches’ to understand and demonstrate the role and impact of peer-based programs. Partners include peer and community-based organisations working with people who use drugs, sex workers, people living with HIV, and gay men in the response to HIV and hepatitis C.

HIV Futures

Commonwealth Department of Health
Jennifer Power, Graham Brown, Anthony Lyons, Gary Dowsett, Jayne Lucke

HIV Futures is a series of national surveys of people living with HIV (PLHIV) in Australia that has been repeated periodically since 1997. Data were collected for HIV Futures 8 during 2015-16. The survey focuses on psychological and physical well-being of PLHIV, treatment use, relationships, stigma and discrimination.
La Trobe University

**LifeTimes: A National Cohort Study of HIV and Ageing**
Commonwealth Department of Health
Anthony Lyons
This is a longitudinal cohort study. It began in 2010 and has followed an initial cohort of 1,000+ older gay men over five years of annual surveys. It explores issues of ageing and health among older gay men with a focus on those living with HIV.

**Healthy Minds: The HIV and Mental Health Study**
Commonwealth Department of Health
Anthony Lyons, Wendy Heywood
This project involves an in-depth investigation into the mental health of people living with HIV. It provides, for the first time, detailed information on multiple dimensions of mental health and seeks a better understanding of why rates of mental health problems in this population are substantially higher than national averages.

**HIV and Mobility**
Commonwealth Department of Health
Graham Brown, Roanna Lobo (Curtin University), Gemma Crawford (Curtin University)
This multi-sectorial ‘Community of Practice for Action on HIV and Mobility’ (CoPAHM) was established to respond to HIV infection among mobile populations in Australia. The project included the production of a national report card to assess progress on actions recommended in the earlier report HIV and Mobility in Australia: Road Map for Action.

**Following Lives Undergoing Change (Flux Study)**
National Health and Medical Research Council Project Grant
Garrett Prestage (ARCSHS and the Kirby Institute), Louisa Degenhardt (National Drug and Alcohol Research Centre), Fengyi Jin (the Kirby Institute), Jeffrey Grierson (Anglia Ruskin University, UK), Toby Lea (the Kirby Institute)
The Flux study sought to identify contextual and individual factors associated with uptake and recreational use of drugs, particularly those identified as being associated with HIV risk behaviour and HIV infection, among gay and bisexual men, and associations with risk behaviours over time. Over 2,000 gay and bisexual men have completed an online questionnaire about their drug use, and over 1,700 consented to six-monthly follow-up assessment.

**An HIV Cure: Ethical and Social Consequences of Cure-focused Research**
La Trobe Research Focus Area—Building Healthy Communities
Gary Dowsett, Jayne Lucke, Jennifer Power, Jack Wallace, Jeanne Ellard, Jacqui Richmond, Sharon Lewin (Doherty Institute), Saphie Hill (La Trobe University), Joseph Tucker (University of North Carolina School of Medicine, USA), Sean Slavin (Australian Federation of AIDS Organisations), Aaron Cogle (National Association of People Living with HIV Australia)
The aims of this project are to explore the social, ethical and public health consequences of biomedical research into an HIV cure. The project involves community consultation and interviews, and media content analysis. This project also aligns with HIV Futures 8, which includes a section on attitudes toward HIV cure research.

**HIV Seroconversion Study**
State and Territory Health Departments
Garrett Prestage (ARCSHS and the Kirby Institute), Ian Down (the Kirby Institute), Jeanne Ellard, Kathy Triffit (the Kirby Institute), Graham Brown
This study provides findings on sexual risk
behaviour and other factors associated with HIV seroconversion in Australia. An understanding of those factors associated with HIV infection will lead to improved preventive education. Data collection is now complete. Over 700 individuals recently diagnosed with HIV completed an online questionnaire and over 120 completed an in depth interview.

PRONTO! Trial
Victorian Department of Health
Mark Stové (Burnet Institute), Graham Brown, Simon Powell (Victorian AIDS Council), David Leitinger (Burnet Institute and Victorian AIDS Council), Alissa Pedrana (Burnet Institute), Anna Wilkinson (Burnet Institute)
PRONTO! is a joint venture of the Victorian AIDS Council and the Burnet Institute to trial a peer-led, community-based, rapid HIV testing service for gay men in Melbourne. ARCSHS collaborates in the trial, supporting the description and evaluation of the innovative peer-led model being developed within the project.

Strengthening Community Responses to Hepatitis B
Australian Research Council Linkage Project
Marian Pitts, Jack Wallace, Alex Thompson (University of Melbourne), Jacqui Richmond, Helen Tyrrell (Hepatitis Australia), Enaam Oudih (Relationships Australia SA), Levinia Crooks (Relationships Australia SA), levilla Crooks (Australasian Society for HIV Medicine), Kerry Paterson (Hepatitis SA), Alison Coelho (Centre for Culture, Ethnicity and Health), Melanie Eagle (Hepatitis Victoria), Chris Enright (Cancer Council of Victoria)
Chronic hepatitis B is a national public health problem, disproportionately affecting Australians born in countries of high prevalence such as China, Vietnam and the Sudan. This project identifies how people with hepatitis B from these communities understand and respond to the infection.

Improving Access to Optimal Clinical Care for People with Chronic Hepatitis B through the Implementation of a Nurse-led Model of Care
National Health and Medical Research Council Translation of Research into Practice Fellowship
Jacqui Richmond
The implementation phase of this project commenced in June 2015. The project is operating in a community health service. Unexpectedly, there were few patients with hepatitis B and the rate of testing is also low. The focus has now shifted to improving the service workforce’s capacity to test people at risk for hepatitis B.

Hepatitis B: Trajectories of Care
Commonwealth Department of Health
Jack Wallace, Elizabeth Smith, Duane Duncan (ARCSHS and the University of New England), Behzad Hajarizadeh, Jacqui Richmond
In this project, people with hepatitis B, general practitioners and practice nurses participated in semi-structured interviews about the process of testing, diagnosis and contact tracing for hepatitis B. This information will be used to improve the diagnostic event for people with hepatitis B and support contact tracing.

Communicating with Diversity: Liver Specialists and People with Hepatitis B
Commonwealth Department of Health
Jack Wallace, Elizabeth Smith, Duane Duncan (ARCSHS and the University of New England), Behzad Hajarizadeh, Jacqui Richmond
This project identifies how clinical specialists respond to the cultural diversity of their patients and provide often complex clinical information to people with hepatitis B from culturally diverse backgrounds. Clinical specialists are asked to participate in a ten-minute, semi-structured, telephone interview using a fictional vignette.

Mental Health and Hepatitis B: Building the Evidence
La Trobe Building Healthy Communities Research Focus Area
Jack Wallace, Behzad Hajarizadeh, Jeanne Ellard, Jacqui Richmond, Roslyn Le, S Polis (St George Hospital, Sydney), R Jardin, (Westmead Hospital, Sydney), Helen Tyrrell (Hepatitis Australia)
The project identifies gaps in our understanding of the epidemiology and burden of mental health among people with chronic hepatitis B in Australia, and identifies how hepatitis B mental health issues are understood and addressed by clinical service providers.

Curing Hepatitis C among Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People: Investigating the Impact of Hepatitis C Cure at the Health Service, Community and Individual Level
Commonwealth Department of Health
Jack Wallace, Jacqui Richmond, Behzad Hajarizadeh
The availability of direct-acting antivirals will have a substantial impact on all people with hepatitis C, including Indigenous Australians living with the infection. This project documents the perspectives of Indigenous health service providers on the barriers and enablers to the hepatitis C cure.

The Liver Health Project
Commonwealth Department of Health
Jeanne Ellard, Jack Wallace, Jacqui Richmond, Behzad Hajarizadeh, Gary Dowsett
The number of people with hepatitis C developing advanced liver disease and dying as a result of liver disease continues to increase. The Liver Health Project deepens understandings of the experiences of people with hepatitis C, with interviews designed to identify the rapidly changing treatment environment and shifts in experiences at clinics and with healthcare providers.
**Hepatitis C Cure**
Commonwealth Department of Health
Jeanne Ellard, Jacqui Richmond, Jack Wallace
This project explores how service providers and policy makers understand the concept of cure in relation to hepatitis C, and investigates the implications of new direct-acting antiviral medication on future models of care and approaches to hepatitis C awareness and prevention. The project includes a systematic review of the Australian and international media and community education materials related to hepatitis C treatment and cure.

**Cure Study: Exploring Understandings, Expectations and Experiences of Hepatitis C Treatment and Cure**
AbbVie Pty Ltd
Jacqui Richmond, Jeanne Ellard, Jack Wallace, Peter Higgs (Burnet Institute), Margaret Hellard (Burnet Institute), Alex Thompson (University of Melbourne and St Vincent’s Hospital)
New treatments are available to cure hepatitis C in 12 weeks with few side-effects. In order to understand the experience of taking these treatments, 20 patients on the new treatment regimens will be interviewed about their experiences in treatment and their expectations of achieving a cure.

**Blood Borne Virus Program: Supporting the HIV and Hepatitis Workforce**
Victorian Department of Health and Human Services
Emily Lenton, Jen Johnson, Jennifer Dixon, Marg Sutherland
The Blood Borne Virus Program works to strengthen the Victorian BBV workforce, and to engage the broader health and community workforce to increase its capacity to respond to BBVs in the wider community.

**Fifth National Survey of Secondary Students and Sexual Health**
Commonwealth Department of Health
Anne Mitchell, Jenny Walsh
A national survey of the sexual attitudes, knowledge and experiences of Australian secondary students has been carried out approximately every five years since 1992, each of them funded by the Commonwealth Department of Health. It is a significant source of key information for policy and programming about STIs and other BBVs for young people and contributes to the indicators of the National STI strategy. The fifth iteration of this survey was conducted in 2013, surveying over 2,000 year 10-12 students enrolled in government, Catholic and independent secondary schools in every State and Territory of Australia. A report of the findings targeting teachers, health care workers and policy makers was released in early 2014. Findings from the study are now being turned into academic journal articles examining topics such as ‘sexting’ and students experiences of sexuality education at school.

**Talking Sexual (and Reproductive) Health – Part 2**
Commonwealth Department of Health
Anne Mitchell, Jenny Walsh
Using the results of the Secondary Students and Sexual Health Survey (see above) completed in 2013, this project developed teaching resources to support the sexual health component of the Australian Curriculum in Health and Physical Education. Stage two focused on lesson plans and resources for teaching year 7 and 8 students.

**Sexual Health and Young Adults (The Friends, Sex and Benefits Project)**
Commonwealth Department of Health
Graham Brown, Natalie Hendry, Kylie Johnston, Gary Dowsett
This study focused on the social and cultural contexts of young adults’ friendships and relationships, and how these influence their practices in testing for sexually transmissible infections. This study recruited young adults who attended nightlife precincts in Melbourne to participate in a short survey. The findings will guide future research on young adult’s sexual health practices.

**HookUp Study**
NSW Department of Health
Garrett Prestage (ARCSHS and the Kirby Institute)
This was a study of sex work in NSW and Queensland. Over 100 male sex workers completed an online questionnaire and 12 completed an in-depth interview.

**Ansell Sex-Ed**
Ansell
Pam Blackman
This project supports the maintenance and moderation of a website to support teachers involved in sexuality education. See: anSELLsex-ed.com.au

**Testing and Developing a Community Resilience Tool in Rural Communities**
La Trobe Research Focus Area—Building Healthy Communities
Anthony Lyons, Gillian Fletcher (La Trobe University), Amanda Kenny (La Trobe University), Jane Farmer (La Trobe University), Julie Rudner (La Trobe University), Lisa Bourke (University of Melbourne), Kaye Knight (La Trobe University), Kylie Carra (La Trobe University), Emily Bariola
This project developed the first-ever measures for assessing the collective resilience of groups and communities. Measures were developed in a national survey and then pilot-tested to assess collective resilience in a rural town in Western Victoria.

**National Viral Hepatitis Needs Assessment: China**
Coalition to Eradicate Viral Hepatitis in Asia-Pacific
Jack Wallace, Marian Pitts, Lai Wei (Peking University People’s Hospital, China), Vivien Lin (La Trobe University), George Liu (La Trobe University), Jacqui Richmond, Behzad Hajarizadeh
China has the largest absolute number of people in the world infected with viral hepatitis. This project aimed to document the personal impact of viral hepatitis by
interviewing people with chronic viral hepatitis in four Chinese cities during April 2014 and key service providers, with findings reviewed to identify key issues, concepts and themes.

**Asia-Pacific Viral Hepatitis Policy Survey and Assessment: Taiwan**
Coalition to Eradicate Viral Hepatitis in Asia Pacific
Jack Wallace, Marian Pitts, Stephen Locarnini (Victorian Infectious Diseases Reference Laboratory)

This research described, assessed and analysed the public policy responses to hepatitis B, hepatitis C and liver cancer in Taiwan, with the aim of identifying the successful components of the Taiwanese approach, including existing best practice and public policy strengths and challenges. Data for the report was obtained through semi-structured interviews and a review of policy.

**Men’s Own: Health and Well-being of Young Gay Men Living in Mainland China**
Centre for Cultural Diversity and Well-being (Victoria University)
Warwick Hosking (ARCSHS and Victoria University), Anthony Lyons, Dorothy Bruck (Victoria University), Lin Xiong (Victoria University), Li Yinhe (Chinese Academy of Social Sciences)

This project involves a national online survey of gay men aged 18-39 years living in Mainland China. It provides first-ever data on numerous aspects of the lives of young Chinese gay men, including sex, relationships, friendships, stigma, social support and health. It provides findings for a cross-cultural comparison with a similar survey that investigators in the team conducted in Australia.

**Asia-Pacific Coalition on Male Sexual Health**
Gary Dowsett
APCOM was formed in 2007 as a coalition of community, government and donors to advocate scaling up interventions for men who have sex with men and transgender persons in the region. APCOM is based in Bangkok. Its Social Research Advisory Group was chaired by Gary Dowsett from its inception until May 2015.

**Intersections of Disadvantage? Gender and Sexuality within Asia-Pacific Community Organisations**
La Trobe Research Focus Area—Transforming Human Society
Gary Dowsett, Gillian Fletcher (La Trobe University), Nicola Henry (La Trobe University), Stephen Wood (University of Sussex, UK), Karen Parker, Dion Kagan

This project aimed to generate new knowledge on the intersections of gender, sexuality, other structural and social forces, and disadvantage, working with partner agencies in the Philippines: GALANG, and the Family Planning Organisation.

**Association for the Social Sciences and Humanities in HIV**
Gary Dowsett
ASSHH was formed in 2011 to promote greater inclusion of the social sciences and humanities in HIV and AIDS globally. Gary Dowsett is a founding member, an Academy Member, and a Director of its Board. ASSHH’s third biennial conference was held in Stellenbosch in South Africa in July 2015. Gary Dowsett was a conference co-chair.

**International Association for the Study of Sexuality, Culture and Society**
Ford Foundation and Hivos Foundation
Gary Dowsett
GLHV is part of ARCSHS and is funded by the Victorian government. GLHV’s mission is to promote the health and well-being of LGBTI Victorians and improve the quality of care they receive.

The past year has seen growth in all of GLHV’s programs and the development of pilot projects in the areas of family violence, religious and cultural diversity and disability. GLHV has: increased its research and publications; delivered new LGBTI training into the university, aged care and local government sectors; partnered in the production of new youth and education resources; and participated in and on an increasing number of advisory bodies.

Research and Publications
GLHV has been involved in:
- A Closer Look at Private Lives 2: Addressing the Mental Health and Well-being of LGBT Australians, funded by beyondblue and the Movember Foundation
- Something for Them: Addressing the Support Needs of Same-sex-attracted and Sex and Gender Diverse (SSASGD) Young People who are Newly Arrived, Refugees or Asylum Seekers, funded by the Asia Altman Sub-fund, the Australian Communities Foundation
- Australians Born with Congenital Variations in Sex Characteristics (Intersex/DSD/Hormonal, Chromosomal or other Biological Variations/Conditions) 2015, led by Tiffany Jones, and funded by the University of New England
- Preventing Harm, Promoting Justice: Legal Responses to ‘Gay Conversion’ Therapy, funded by La Trobe University and run in collaboration with the Human Rights Law Centre.

Resources and Training
Clearinghouse
GLHV’s LGBTI health information and research clearinghouse is used by individuals, policy makers, academics and health care providers. In 2015, it averaged 1,600 unique hits per month.

Young People
GLHV and the Youth Affairs Council of Victoria (YACVic) manage the HEY Project. The project includes a consortium of 11 organisations and aims to improve the mental health and well-being of SSASGD young people in Victoria. In 2015, GLHV and YACVic successfully lobbied government for a renewal of HEY funding.

The Victorian State government committed a further four years funding to Safe Schools Coalition Victoria (SSCV) to make the program available to all publicly funded secondary schools in Victoria by 2019. SSCV is part of the national program managed by the Foundation for Young Australians (FYA). SSCV has worked with FYA to design new resources and provide training to the partner agencies in the other States and Territories. SSCV has worked with the Victorian Department of Education and Early Childhood Development to review its LGBTI related policies and with FYA to develop All of Us, a national resource that promotes discussion of sexual identity and gender identity diversity. In 2015, SSCV provided professional development to 4,243 school staff and distributed over 15,000 resources to students and staff.

Rainbow Network (RN) provides information, training and support for people who work with SSASGD young people in Victoria. RN partnered with the Victorian AIDS Council and beyondblue to deliver a lesbian, bisexual and queer (LBQ) women’s health conference, produced a guide for working with trans and gender diverse young people, and supported the growth of regionally based Q-groups. RN is partnering with the Zoe Belle Gender Collective and SSCV to build the SSASGD-capacity of organisations in rural and regional Victoria, and with ‘headspace’ to develop a community of practice addressing SSASGD young people’s mental health. RN membership grew to 638 in 2015, an increase of 189.

LGBTI Ageing
GLHV and Transgender Victoria (TGV) continued the Victorian roll-out of the national LGBTI aged care training. LGBTI Diversity in Aged Care. The training is funded by the Commonwealth government and managed by the National LGBTI Health Alliance. In 2015, GLHV delivered the training to 525 staff in over 130 aged and community care organisations in Victoria. TGV and GLHV also co-delivered LGBTI-inclusive aged care training to nearly 100 assessors from the Australian Aged Care Quality Agency.

In November Val’s Café returned to GLHV where it will continue to increase the visibility of older LGBTI people and promote LGBTI-inclusive age and community care.

New and Emerging Areas
In 2015, GLHV delivered generic LGBTI training to over 300 people from 19 health and human services organisations in Victoria. GLHV also developed training modules in a number of new sectors including: a Drug and Alcohol e-module in partnership with the University of Melbourne and Turning Point; an LGBTIQ in a disaster-training module in partnership with Women’s Health Goulburn North East; and Living LGBTI: La Trobe University Ally Training, delivered to over 65 people at La Trobe and Melbourne universities.
Rainbow Tick Program
GLHV has developed the Rainbow Tick Program in partnership with Quality Innovation Performance (QIP), a not-for-profit, national accreditation body. The program promotes LGBTI-inclusive service provision by training health and human services staff and assisting organisations to prepare for Rainbow Tick accreditation. The Rainbow Tick comprises six LGBTI-inclusive practice standards against which services can be accredited by QIP. QIP has created a national registry of Rainbow Ticked agencies, which includes organisations in Victoria, South Australia and New South Wales.

HOW2 Program
The HOW2 Program focuses on organisational systems and culture change, and comprises four five-hour sessions run over six months. The HOW2 Program provides participants with indicators against which they gauge how their organisation is faring against six LGBTI-inclusive practice standards. In 2015, GLHV delivered the HOW2 Program to 16 people from six different organisations.

Training QIP Assessors and Staff
Stephen Clark, CEO of the AGPAL Group of Companies that includes QIP, made a Change Day pledge to promote the Rainbow Tick and ensure all QIP staff received LGBTI training. GLHV, in partnership with QIP, delivered a two-day intensive training session to QIP assessors to develop their Rainbow Tick assessment skills. In December, GLHV ran two LGBTI-inclusive practice training sessions for nearly 60 QIP staff from around Australia.

National Conferences and Forums
GLHV was well represented at ‘Health in Difference 2015’, the 9th National LGBTI Health and Well-being conference held in Canberra and run by the National LGBTI Health Alliance. GLHV presented papers on: LGBTI-inclusive aged and palliative care; barriers to the delivery of the Safe Schools program; and the support needs of newly arrived SSASGD young people.

GLHV also presented at a number of national and international conferences and forums, including the International Medicine in Addictions Conference, the LBQ Women’s Health Conference, the Human Rights Art and Film Festival, the National Safe Schools Symposium, and the Australian Association of Gerontology’s 48th Annual Conference.

GLHV partnered with the Victorian State government to host a forum on sexuality and disability at the Wheeler Centre. The forum was led by LGBTIQ people living with disabilities and was hosted by Rowena Allen, Victoria’s Sexuality and Gender Commissioner. GLHV presented disability data from Private Lives 2 in the morning session.

Advisory Bodies and Policy Submissions
In 2015, GLHV was represented on: Victoria Police’s External Education Advisory Group and LGBTI Portfolio Reference Group; the Victorian government’s LGBTI Task Force and ‘What’s Important to YOUth’ Sector Reference Group; and the Minister-led roundtable discussions on family violence.

GLHV made submissions to, and was invited to appear before, the Victorian Royal Commission into Family Violence and the Senate Inquiry into the matter of a popular vote on marriage equality in Australia.

Other Activities
GLHV was part of a consortium, led by the Yarra Glen Football Netball Club, which won the Victorian Health Promotion Foundation’s Building Health through Sports Award for the Pride Cup. The Pride Cup recognises and celebrates diversity in sport and promotes participation of LGBTI people and communities.

In June, the Australian Human Rights Commission released Resilient Individuals: Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity and Intersex Rights. The report documents ongoing human rights abuses against LGBTI Australians and uses GLHV/ARCSHS research findings and profiles SSCA and the Rainbow Tick Program.
Higher Degree Research Program
The ARCSHS Higher Degree by Research postgraduate program continued to go from strength to strength in 2015, with students presenting their research at conferences, winning awards, publishing papers and continuing to work on their projects. These honours are detailed elsewhere in this report. One highlight was Emily Bariola who was elected as a member of the La Trobe University Academic Board as postgraduate student representative.

At the start of the year we had 20 students. During the year, Huong Bui, Wendy Heywood, Joni Meenagh and Rachel Thorpe were awarded their PhDs. Marisa Monagle submitted her PhD for examination and at the time of writing is awaiting her results. We welcomed four new students, Daniel du Plooy, Tomas Rozbroj, Julia Taylor and Jack Wallace, with a further three to join us in early 2016. At the end of the year, we had seven students at various stages of writing their thesis.

Postgraduate supervisors contribute their time and expertise to work with students on their studies. Supervisors work in teams, with one principal supervisor and one co-supervisor for each student, as well as a panels of two or three other supervisors who meet twice a year to monitor students’ progress. Our thanks to all those who contributed their time as supervisors in 2015.

Student Projects in 2015
Emily BARIOLA
Minority Strengths: Examining the Determinants of Positive Mental Health among Lesbians and Gay Men
Supervisors: Anthony Lyons, Jayne Lucke
Frances BIRD
LGBTQI Choral Community: Identity, Action and Meaning
Supervisors: Sue Dyson, Timothy Jones
Huong Thu BUI
Locating Pleasure: Narratives of Women’s Intimate Experiences in the Quest for Sexual Well-being in Contemporary Vietnam
Supervisors: Graham Brown, Pranee Liamputtong
Emerich DAROYA
HIV Fetishism: Exploring the Practices of Barebacking
Supervisors: Steven Angelides, Duane Duncan and Gary Dowsett
Alissar EL’MURR
Kicking Off Cultural Change: Primary Prevention of Violence against Women in the AFL
Supervisors: Graham Brown, Gillian Fletcher
Karyn FULCHER
The Language of Policing Gender and Sexuality among Young People
Supervisors: Sue Dyson, Anthony Lyons
Martin de GraAF
The Bisexual ‘Identity’ Debate and How it Affects Melbourne Men Who have Sex Bisexually
Supervisors: Sue Dyson, Elizabeth Smith
Jo GRZELINSKA
The Blind Spot in Bangladeshi Sexuality: Bisexually Active Men telling Their Own Stories
Supervisors: Gary Dowsett, Duane Duncan
Wendy HEYWOOD
Age at Sexual Debut and Subsequent Sexual Activity and Functioning among Australian Men and Women: A Population-based Panel Study
Supervisors: Marian Pitts, Kent Patrick
Joe LATHAM
FTM Bodies and Pleasure, Trans-Sexuality and Power
Supervisors: Steven Angelides, Catherine Barrett
In 2015, ARCSHS delivered its path-breaking, online, undergraduate, elective unit called ‘Contemporary Issues in Sexuality Studies’ for the fifth time in semester 2. The unit is notable for its subject matter, its mode of teaching—which includes the use of both synchronous and asynchronous sessions designed specifically to promote active learning—and its cross-college and cross-campus availability. ‘Contemporary Issues in Sex and Sexuality’ cuts across disciplinary boundaries to offer a valuable and interesting learning experience for students from all backgrounds. The unit uses advanced web teaching and learning technologies. It draws on a wide range of sources including media, web-based material and theory from the social sciences to help students examine and re-assess the range of meanings, values, assumptions and expectations embedded in social understandings of sex and sexuality. In 2015, the unit was completed by a total of 60 students from various La Trobe campuses.
Graham Brown and Jayne Russell each received a travel award from a bequest provided by the late Edward Hagenlocher, whose wishes were that the money be used to support work in HIV and AIDS. Thanks again to the estate of Edward Hagenlocher for this generous bequest.

Graham Brown was a recipient of a WA AIDS Council 30th Anniversary Significant Contribution to HIV Award.

Lizzie Smith received the Sexual Health Society of Victoria scholarship ($500). Lizzie used the scholarship to present a paper at the International Association for the Study of Sexuality, Culture and Society (IASSCS) Conference in Dublin, June 2015, and the Queer Kinship and Relationships Conference in Poland.

Andrew Westle was awarded the prize for the best paper at the X International Association for the Study of Sexuality, Culture and Society Conference in Dublin for his paper ‘When Men Dance: Contesting Normative Sexualities through Movement’.

Bianca Fileborn received a $2,000 travel grant from The Ian Potter Foundation to attend and present at the Everyday Encounters with Violence: Critical Feminist Perspectives conference, Leeds, and to attend the Sexual Violence Conference in London, September 2015.

Joe Latham was joint winner of the Symonds Prize in the International journal Studies in Gender and Sexuality, for his submission ‘Making and Treating Trans Problems: The Ontological Politics of Clinical Practices’.

Rachel Thorpe and Andrew Westle received funding from the Anthony Smith Award committee. Rachel was awarded $2,000 to attend the 3rd International Sociological Association Forum of Sociology in Vienna, July 2016, and Andrew was awarded $500 toward the cost of travel to the Dublin IASSCS conference.

Emily Bariola, Daniel du Plooy and Tom Rozbroj received $500 from the La Trobe Graduate Research School Intellectual Climate Fund for their application to set up a Gender and Sexuality Interest Group. The group is organising regular seminars with invited speakers who work in the field
During each academic year, ARCSHS presents a series of seminars open to interested colleagues and communities, covering various issues in sexuality and health.

During 2015, we were pleased to have the following distinguished speakers present:

**Professor Carla Treloar**
Deputy Director of the Centre for Social Research in Health and Head of the hepatitis research team, UNSW, Australia
*Understanding and Preventing Hepatitis C transmission within Sexual Partnerships*
30 March 2015

**Professor Julie Byles**
Director of the Research Centre for Gender, Health and Ageing at the University of Newcastle, Head of the International Longevity Centre, Australia, and Secretary of the International Association of Gerontology Asia, Oceania Region
*19 to 90s: A Long View of Life from the Australian Longitudinal Study on Women’s Health*
28 July 2015

**Dr Sonja J Ellis**
Principal Lecturer in Psychology at Sheffield HALLAM University, UK
*Situational Avoidance, Suicide Risk and Experiences of Mental Health Services in the UK Trans Population*
20 August 2015

**Professor Richard Wassersug**
Adjunct Professor, Department of Urologic Sciences, University of British Columbia
*On Hormones and Hardware: ‘Post-gendered’ Approaches to Recovering Sexuality after Prostate Cancer Treatments*
27 August 2015

**Dr Tiffany Jones**
Senior Lecturer, University of New England
*People with Intersex Variations*
7 September 2015

**Professor Sharon Lewin**
Director of the Peter Doherty Institute for Infection and Immunity, a joint venture between the University of Melbourne and Royal Melbourne Hospital; Professor of Medicine, The University of Melbourne; consultant infectious diseases physician, Alfred Hospital, Melbourne, Australia; and an NHMRC Practitioner Fellow
*The Search for an HIV cure: Why We Need Everyone Involved*
11 November 2015

**Dr Deborah Gleeson**
Lecturer, School of Psychology and Public Health, La Trobe University
*The Trans Pacific Partnership Agreement and Access to Medicines*
8 December 2015
## FUNDING

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PROFESSIONAL PARTICIPATION

Membership of Boards, Advisory Bodies, Committees

INTERNATIONAL

Founding and Academy member, Director and Board member, Association for the Social Sciences and Humanities in HIV, Gary Dowsett
Association for the Social Sciences and Humanities in HIV, 3rd Biennial Conference 2015, Coordinating Committee International Co-Chair, Gary Dowsett
Association of Reproductive Health Professionals, Member, Jayne Lucke
Australian and New Zealand Mental Health Association, Member, Anthony Lyons
Coalition to Eradicate Viral Hepatitis in Asia and the Pacific Executive Committee, Member, Jack Wallace
Interim Committee, International Association for the Study of Sexuality Culture and Society, Member, Gary Dowsett
International Association for the Study of Sexuality, Culture and Society, Founding Member, and Chair, Research and Training Committee, Gary Dowsett
International Academy of Sex Research, Members, Gary Dowsett, Jayne Lucke
International AIDS Society, Members, Gary Dowsett, Jayne Lucke, Anthony Lyons
International Positive Psychology Association, Anthony Lyons
International Scientific Committee (Policy and Social Science track), World STI & HIV Congress 2015, Jayne Lucke
International Society for Research on Internet Interventions, Member, Anthony Lyons
Asia-Pacific Coalition on Male Sexual Health, Social Research Working Group Chair, Gary Dowsett
Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Member, Anthony Lyons
Society for the Psychological Study of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Issues (American Psychological Association), Anthony Lyons
Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues, Member, Anthony Lyons
The European Society of Contraception and Reproductive Health, Member, Jayne Lucke

LA TROBE UNIVERSITY

Academic Promotions Committee, Jayne Lucke
Advisory Committee, Centre for Alcohol Policy Research, Jayne Lucke
Anthony Smith Travel Award Committee, Anthony Lyons
Building Healthy Communities Research Focus Area Leadership Team, Jayne Lucke
College of Science, Health and Engineering Research Committee, Anthony Lyons
La Trobe University Academic Board, Postgraduate Student Representative, Emily Bariola
Olga-Tennison Autism Research Centre ASDetect Clinical Reference Group, Anthony Lyons
College of Human Ethics Sub-Committee, Roslyn Le
College of Science, Health and Engineering Professional Post-doctorate Coursework Committee, Gary Dowsett

NATIONAL

Academy of the Social Sciences in Australia, Fellow, Gary Dowsett
A Survivorship Action Partnership Network, a program of Prostate Cancer Canada, Member, Richard Wassersug
AbbVie Advisory Board Meeting, Jacqui Richmond
Alzheimer’s Association Diversity Working Group, GLBTI representative, Catherine Barrett
Australasian HIV and AIDS Conference Organising Committee, Member, Anthony Lyons
Australasian Sexual Health Conference Scientific Program Committee, Member, Jayne Lucke
Australasian Association of Gerontology LGBTI Special Interest Group, Member, Catherine Barrett
Australian Society for Psychosocial Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Member, Jayne Lucke
Association of Bioethics and Health Law, Member, Jayne Lucke
beyondblue LGBTI National Campaign Reference Group, Member, Lynne Hillier
Centre for Social Research in Health Scientific Advisory Committee, Member, Jayne Lucke
Centre for Social Research in Health Stigma Indicators Monitoring Project Advisory Committee, Anthony Lyons
Contemporary Look at Hepatitis B organising committee, Chair, Jacqui Richmond
Department of Health and Ageing, Working Party to develop the National LGBTI Ageing and Aged Care strategy, Co-Chair, Catherine Barrett
Department of Social Services Ageing Expert Advisory Group, LGBTI representative, Catherine Barrett
Department of Social Services Quality Indicators Advisory Group, Member, Catherine Barrett
Federal Ageing Consultative Committee, for the Federal Minister for Ageing, Mental Health and Social Inclusion, GLBTI representative, Catherine Barrett
LGBTI Parliamentary Friendship Network, Federal Parliament, cross party LGBTI policy group, Member, William Leonard
LGBTI Refugee Community Group, Kaleidoscope Australia, Member, William Leonard
Ministerial Advisory Committee on Blood Borne Viruses, HIV and STIs, Members, Graham Brown, Jacqui Richmond
National Gay Men’s Syphilis Action Plan Technical Working Group, Member, Garrett Prestage
National Hepatitis B Reference Committee, Member, Jacqui Richmond
National LGBTI Health Alliance’s Ageing and Aged Care Working Group, Member, Catherine Barrett
National Sexual and Reproductive Health Research Steering Committee, Member, Jayne Lucke
National Strategies STI, HIV, BBV project working groups, Member, Garrett Prestage
NHMRC Certifiers Assessor Panel (HoMER), Panel member, Philomena Horsley
Australian Society for Psychosocial Obstetrics and Gynaecology Conference Organising Committee, Member, Jayne Lucke
Our Watch Foundation to Prevent Violence Against Women and Children: Respectful Relationships Education in Schools Advisory Committee, Member, Sue Dyson

Our Watch Foundation to Prevent Violence Against Women and Children: Sports Engagement Program, Advisory Committee and Reference Group Member, Sue Dyson

Prostate Cancer Foundation of Australia Gay and Bisexual Men’s Initiative, Member, Gary Dowsett

Public Health Association of Australia, Members, Jayne Lucke, Gary Dowsett

Safe Schools Coalition Australia National Advisory Committee, Member, Roz Ward

Steering Committee, Australian Longitudinal Study on Women’s Health, Member, Jayne Lucke

Steering Committee, Collaborative Research Network for Mental Health and Well-being in Rural Communities, University of New South Wales, Member, Gary Dowsett

STATE

AIDS Council of NSW Sexual Health Advisory Committee, Member, Garrett Prestage

AIDS Council of NSW Board, Member, Garrett Prestage

AIDS Council of NSW Ethics Review Committee, Chair, Garrett Prestage

AIDS Council of NSW HIV and Sexually Transmissible Infections Working Group, Member, Garrett Prestage

AIDS Council of NSW Research and Policy Advisory Committee, Member, Garrett Prestage

BreastScreen Victoria LBT Advisory Group, Member, Catherine Barrett

Count Me In Pilot (cohealth) Working Group, Member, Joel Radcliffe

Department of Health and Human Services, HACC Diversity Working Group, LGBTI HACC Sectoral Development, Member, Pauline Crameri

Department of Justice Human Research Ethics Committee, Member, Philomena Horsley

Family Planning Victoria STI Prevention for Young People Working Group, Member, Graham Brown

GLBTI Ministerial Advisory Committee, Member, William Leonard

GLBTI Ministerial Advisory Committee: Inclusive Practice, Ageing and Aged Care, Integrated Responses to Young People Working Group, Member, Catherine Barrett

HEY Project Steering Committee, Member, Lottie Turner

HIV+ Health Promotion Interagency, Member, Garrett Prestage

Kirby Institute HIV Treatment Cascades Working Group, Member, Graham Brown

Living Positive Victoria HIV/HCV Co-infection Reference Group, Member, Jen Johnson

NSW HIV Point of Care Testing Working Group, Member, Garrett Prestage

NSW Ministerial Advisory Committee on Hepatitis, Member, Garrett Prestage

NSW Point of Care Working Group, Member, Garrett Prestage

Positive Ageing Project, Alfred Infectious Diseases Unit, Member, Catherine Barrett

Positive Leadership Development Institute Management Group, Member, Graham Brown

Positive Life (NSW) Board Advisory Group, Member, Garrett Prestage

Pride Cup Steering Committee and Education Committee, Member, William Leonard

QEAST Working Group, Members, Lottie Turner, Joel Radcliffe

QNORTH Working Group, Chair, Lottie Turner

QNORTH Working Group, Co-chair, Joel Radcliffe

QSOUtheast Working Group, Co-chair, Joel Radcliffe

Scope Victoria Human Research Ethics Committee, Member, Philomena Horsley

Sexual Health Society of Victoria, Member, Jayne Lucke

SSAGD (Inner South youth-focused) Network, Member, Lottie Turner

Victorian Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisations (VACCHO) Sexual and reproductive health Steering committee, Member, Jenny Walsh

VACCHO Yarn Soon, Yarn Often Project Advisory Group, Member, Jenny Walsh

Victoria Police External Education Advisory Group, Members, William Leonard, Sunil Patel

Victoria Police GLBTI Advisory Committee, Member, William Leonard, Sunil Patel

Victorian Aboriginal Sexual Health Advisory Committee, Member, Jen Johnson

Victorian AIDS Council/Gay Men’s Health Centre Sexually Adventurous Men Reference Group, Member, Graham Brown

Victorian Department of Health Working Group to Develop Victorian HIV Action Plan, Member, Graham Brown

Victorian Government Sexual Harassment and Assault in Live Music Venues Taskforce, Advisor, Bianca Fileborn

Victorian Government Suicide Prevention Reference Group, Member, William Leonard

Victorian Hepatitis B Alliance, Members, Jacqui Richmond, Jen Johnson

Victorian LGBTI Taskforce, William Leonard

Victorian Youth Sector Reference Group, William Leonard

Zoe Belle Gender Collective Working Group, Ordinary Board Member, Andrea Waling

IN INVOLVEMENT IN JOURNALS

Aesthetic Plastic Surgery, Reviewer, J.R. Latham

AFFILIA: Journal of Women and Social Work, Reviewer, Bianca Fileborn

AIDS and Behavior, Member of Editorial Board, Garrett Prestage

Antiviral Therapy, Reviewer, Behzad Hajarizadeh, Jack Wallace, Jacqui Richmond, Roslyn Le

Archives of Sexual Behavior, Reviewer, Anthony Lyons, Wendy Heywood

Asia Pacific Journal of Public Health, Reviewer, Graham Brown

Asian Journal of Social Psychology, Reviewer, Anthony Lyons

Australasian Journal on Ageing, Reviewer, Catherine Barrett, Pauline Crameri, J.R. Latham
Australasian and New Zealand Journal of Public Health, Reviewer, Catherine Barrett, Behzad Hajarizadeh, Jayne Lucke, Jack Wallace
Australian and New Zealand Journal of Public Health, Member of Editorial Board, Gary Dowsett
Australian Family Physician, Reviewer, Jayne Lucke
Australian Feminist Law Journal, Reviewer, Steven Angelides
BMC Infectious Disease, Reviewer, Jack Wallace, Behzad Hajarizadeh
BMC Public Health, Reviewer, Bianca Fileborn
BMC Women's Health, Editorial Board Member for the ‘Gynecology, gynecological disease and reproductive health’ section, Jayne Lucke
BMC Women's Health, Reviewer, Wendy Heywood
Book series, Sexuality, Culture and Health, Co-editor, Gary Dowsett
Culture, Health and Sexuality, Editorial Advisory Board, Gary Dowsett
Culture, Health and Sexuality, Senior Reviews Editor, Gillian Fletcher
Culture, Health and Sexuality, Reviewer, Jayne Lucke
Current Sociology, Reviewer, Steven Angelides
Drug and Alcohol Review, Reviewer, Jack Wallace, Wendy Heywood
European Journal of Integrative Medicine, Reviewer, Rachel Thorpe
Eurosurveillance, Reviewer, Behzad Hajarizadeh
Feminist Review, Reviewer, Bianca Fileborn
Gender and History, Reviewer, Timothy W Jones
Health and Quality of Life Outcomes, Reviewer, Jack Wallace
Health and Social Care in the Community, Reviewer, Jack Wallace
Health Education and Behaviour, Reviewer, Graham Brown
Health Expectations, Reviewer, Jack Wallace
Health Promotion Journal of Australia, Reviewer, Graham Brown
Hepatitis Monthly, Associate Editor, Behzad Hajarizadeh
Hepatitis Monthly, Reviewer, Jack Wallace
Hepatology, Reviewer, Behzad Hajarizadeh
Hepatology, Medicine and Policy, Other, Behzad Hajarizadeh
Hepatology, Medicine and Policy, Associate Editor, Jack Wallace
H-Histsex, Book Reviews Editor, Timothy W Jones
History Compass, Reviewer, Steven Angelides
History of Psychology, Reviewer, Steven Angelides
International Journal for Crime Justice and Social Democracy, Reviewer, Bianca Fileborn
International Journal of Drug Policy, Reviewer, Behzad Hajarizadeh
International Journal of General Medicine, Reviewer, Jack Wallace
International Journal of Transgenderism, Reviewer, William Leonard
Journal of British Studies, Reviewer, Timothy W Jones
Journal of Consumer Health on the Internet, Reviewer, Jack Wallace
Journal of Family Planning and Reproductive Health Care, Reviewer, Jayne Lucke
Journal of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Reviewer, Behzad Hajarizadeh
Journal of Hepatology, Reviewer, Behzad Hajarizadeh
Journal of Homosexuality, Reviewer, Steven Angelides
Journal of Medical Ethics, Reviewer, Jayne Lucke
Journal of Sexual Medicine, Reviewer, Anthony Lyons
Liver International, Reviewer, Behzad Hajarizadeh
Media International Australia, Reviewer, Duane Duncan
Men and Masculinities, Reviewer, Steven Angelides
PLOS ONE, Reviewer, Graham Brown, Behzad Hajarizadeh, Jayne Lucke
Psychology and Sexuality, Reviewer, Duane Duncan, Anthony Lyons, Marian Pitts
Psychology and Sexuality, Member of Editorial Board, Marian Pitts
Psychology, Health and Medicine, Reviewer, Anthony Lyons
Qualitative Health Research, Reviewer, Graham Brown
Qualitative Research, Reviewer, Bianca Fileborn
Rural Society, Guest Editor, Anthony Lyons
Rural Society, Reviewer, Bianca Fileborn
Secularism and Nonreligion, Reviewer, Timothy W Jones
Sex Education: Sexuality, Society and Learning, Member of Editorial Board, Gary Dowsett
Sex Education: Sexuality, Society and Learning, Reviewer, Catherine Barrett, Sue Dyson, Jayne Lucke
Sexualities, Member of Advisory Board, Gary Dowsett
Sexual & Reproductive Healthcare, Reviewer, Bianca Fileborn
Sexual Health, Joint Editor, Gary Dowsett
Sexual Health, Member of Editorial Board, Marian Pitts, Garrett Prestage
Sexual Health, Reviewer, Graham Brown, Wendy Heywood, William Leonard, Anthony Lyons, Kent Patrick
Sexualities, Member of Editorial Board, Gary Dowsett
Sexualities, Reviewer, Steven Angelides
Sexualities, Evolution and Gender, Member of Editorial Board, Marian Pitts
Sexuality Research and Social Policy, Member of International Editorial Board, Gary Dowsett
Sexuality Research and Social Policy, Reviewer, Emily Bariola, Catherine Barrett, Timothy W Jones
Sexually Transmitted Infections, Reviewer, Anthony Lyons
South African Journal of Higher Education, Reviewer, Sue Dyson
OTHER ROLES AND ACTIVITIES

Abstract reviewer for Australasian HIV and AIDS Conference, Anthony Lyons

Abstract reviewer for 2nd Association for the Social Sciences and Humanities in HIV Conference, Anthony Lyons

Consultancy, ‘Our Watch’ Respectful Relationships Education in Schools, Training for school and community implementation staff and manual development, Sue Dyson

Convenor, BBV Workforce Network Meeting - New Frontiers in BBV Prevention and Testing, Jen Johnson

Co-organiser, 7th Annual Hepatitis B Spotlight, Emily Lenton

Evaluation consultant, ‘We Can Do It’ Respectful Relationships in Schools Evaluation, Sue Dyson

Examiner, Masters of Public Health dissertation, Curtin University, Graham Brown

Examiner, Masters thesis, La Trobe University, Sue Dyson

Examiner, PhD thesis, Deakin University, Sue Dyson

Facilitator, Serodiscordant Studies: Findings from YouMe&HIV and Opposites Attract Seminar, Kirby Institute, Graham Brown

Facilitator, Forum on HIV/Hepatitis C Co-infection, Emily Lenton

Facilitator, Forum on New Approaches to Peer Based Models in the BBV sector, Emily Lenton

Invited expert reviewer, Raising Children Web Site Content, Talking to Children Aged 9-11 years About Sex, Sue Dyson

Promotion referee, University of New England, Sue Dyson
PUBLICATIONS AND OUTPUTS

BOOK SECTIONS


ARTICLES IN REFEREED JOURNALS


Duncan, D., Prestage, G., & Grieron, J. (2015). ‘I’d much rather have sexual intimacy as opposed to sex’: Young Australian gay men, sex, relationships and monogamy. Sexualities, 18(7), 798-816.


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Heywood, W., Patrick, K., Pitts, M., & Mitchell, A. (2015). ‘Dude, I’m seventeen... it’s okay not to have sex by this age’: Feelings, reasons, pressures, and intentions reported by adolescents who have not had sexual intercourse. *Journal of Sex Research*. DOI: 10.1080/00224499.2015.1092105.


PUBLICATIONS AND OUTPUTS


OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS TO SCHOLARLY JOURNALS


**ARCSHS MONOGRAPHS**


**INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES**


NATIONAL CONFERENCES


Horsley, P. (2015) Rainbow Standards: Developing LGBTI-inclusive practice in health care delivery. 9th Health Services and...


Presentations at Meetings


Brown, G. (2015). Practical Insights: The application of systems thinking to better understand and strategise peer and community led health promotion. School of Psychology and Public Health, La Trobe University, Bundoora, 7 October.

Brown, G. (2015). Understanding what works and why in peer and community based programs for HIV and HCV. New approaches to peer based models: Perspectives from across the blood borne virus sector seminar, Australian Research Centre in Sex, Health and Society, La Trobe University, Melbourne, May.


Crameri, P. (2015). Implementation of ‘Creating GLBTI Inclusive HACC Services (the HACC Pack)’, training and future research directions. Invited participation in forum for Home and Community Care staff to discuss and reflect on progress in lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex inclusiveness. Meeting the needs of LGBTI HACC clients - a year on, Municipal Association of Australia, Melbourne, 1 October.


Dowsett, G. W. (2015). The Black Box at the Intersection of Gender and Sexuality. Invited seminar presentation, Gender and Sexuality Interest Group, Australian Research Centre in Sex, Health and Society, La Trobe University. Melbourne, 1 October.


PUBLICATIONS AND OUTPUTS
Lucie, J. C. (2015). Young people and sexuality today: Just a different corset. Session Chair, 41st Annual Scientific Meeting of the Australian Society for Psychosocial Obstetrics and Gynaecology. Melbourne, 31 July - 1 August.


NEWSPAPER AND MAGAZINE ARTICLES


ARCSHS STUDENT OR STAFF MEMBER QUOTED IN MEDIA ITEM


Lucke, J. (2015). Australian students are using ‘smart drugs” to get through the HSC. Mamamia News. 15 October.


The Australian Research Centre in Sex, Health and Society is a centre for social research into sexuality, health and the social dimensions of human relationships. It works collaboratively with communities, community-based organisations, government and professionals to produce research that advances knowledge and promotes positive change in policy, practice and people’s lives.

MEDIA APPEARANCES


Thorpe, R. (2015). Interviewed about older women’s bodies and appearance. ABC South East radio. 6 March.


CONTRIBUTION TO POLICY


