



The SA Chapter of the AIJA presents

FACE TO FACE: RESULTS IN ADULT CONFERENCING

Professor Andrew Goldsmith, Dr Mark Halsey and Mr David Bamford, of the School of Law, Flinders University, present findings of an evaluation of Australia's first criminal adult conferencing program

Followed by a panel discussion

Chaired by **Dr Andrew Cannon DCM**
Family Conference Team Senior Youth Justice Coordinator **Carolyn Doherty**
Mediation and Pre-trial Procedure Officer **Julie Young**
Leigh Garrett from OARS and Centre for Restorative Justice

Adult conferencing is a process that allows the victim of a crime and the offender to meet safely to talk over what happened and the consequences of the crime. Victims can have a say on what the offender could do to make up for the damage caused. The offender has a chance to apologise. A trained facilitator guides participants, and results of the discussions are considered in sentencing the offender. Adult conferencing began at Adelaide Magistrates Court on 1 July 2004. It was the first of its kind in Australia. This seminar will cover how the program worked, the experiences of some of those involved in it and the results of independent evaluation carried out by the team from Flinders University Law School.

Date: Wednesday, 23 November 2005, 5pm – 6.30pm

Venue: District Court, Sir Samuel Way Building, 241-259
Victoria Square, Adelaide

You are invited to attend and participate in the discussions.

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