

FAMILY VIOLENCE CONFERENCE

Towards best practice

1-3 OCTOBER 2009

Sebel & Citigate Hotel, Brisbane, Australia

WEDNESDAY 30 SEPTEMBER 2009

2.00 – 5.00 pm	Registration – Lobby
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THURSDAY 1 OCTOBER 2009 – DAY 1

7.30 – 9.00 am	Registration - Presidential Ballroom Foyer
9.00 – 9.15 am	WELCOME TO COUNTRY - <i>Aunty Valda Coolwell</i> (Roosevelt Room) Welcome <i>Professor Greg Reinhardt, Executive Director, AIJA</i>
9.30 – 10.30 am	KEYNOTE SESSION - <i>Ms Libby Lloyd AM</i>, Chair of the National Violence against Women Advisory Group, former Chair of the National Council to reduce Violence against Women and their Children Chair: <i>Professor Greg Reinhardt</i>
10.30 – 11.00 am	Morning Tea
11.00 – 12.30 pm	RECENT DEVELOPMENTS AND BEST PRACTICE IN THE AREA OF FAMILY VIOLENCE AT BOTH STATE AND FEDERAL LEVEL Speakers: <i>Professor Richard Chisholm AM</i>, Family Court Family Violence Review <i>Professor Rosalind Croucher PPT</i>, Commissioner, Australian Law Reform Commission Chair: <i>Professor Hilary Astor</i>, University of Sydney
12.30 – 1.30 pm	Lunch
1.30 – 3.30 pm	FAMILY VIOLENCE: HUMAN RIGHTS PERSPECTIVES Speakers: <i>Ms Maria Dimopoulos</i>, Consultant, former Council member, National Council to Reduce Violence against Women and their Children <i>Professor Penelope Andrews</i>, Chair, School of Law, LaTrobe University <i>Dr Cassandra Goldie</i>, Director of the Sex and Age Discrimination Unit, Australian Human Rights Commission Chair: <i>Dr Susan Armstrong</i>, School of Law, University of Western Sydney
3.30 – 4.00 pm	Afternoon Tea
4.00 – 5.15 pm	THE IMPACT OF FAMILY AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ON CHILDREN Speakers: <i>Professor Chris Goddard</i>, Director, National Research Centre for the Prevention of Child Abuse, Monash University <i>Dr Danielle Tyson PPT</i>, School of Political and Social Inquiry, Monash University <i>Ms Carolyn Johnson PPT</i>, School of Occupational Therapy and Social Work, Curtin University Chair: <i>Ms Jane Reynolds</i>, Regional Registry Manager Vic/Tas/SA, Family Court of Australia
7.00 – 10.30 pm	DINNER (Dress: neat casual) Speaker: <i>Mr Tom Calma</i>, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner, Australian Human Rights Commission

FRIDAY 2 OCTOBER 2009 – DAY 2

8.00 – 9.00 am	Registration - Presidential Ballroom Foyer
9.00 – 9.45 am	<p>BEST PRACTICE AND RECENT EXPERIENCE IN FAMILY DISPUTE RESOLUTION</p> <p>Speakers: <i>The Hon Justice Diana Bryant, Chief Justice, Family Court of Australia</i></p> <p>Chair: <i>Professor Greg Reinhardt</i></p>
9.45 – 10.30 am	<p>RESPONDING TO VIOLENCE IN INDIGENOUS COMMUNITIES</p> <p>Speakers: <i>Ms Bronwyn Penrith, PPT Mudgin-Gal Aboriginal Corporation, New South Wales</i> <i>Ms Antoinette Braybrook, CEO, Aboriginal Family Violence Prevention & Legal Service, Victoria</i></p> <p>Chair: <i>Ms Kelly Faldon, Kellawan, Victoria, Cultural relations, Facilitation and Project Management</i></p>
10.30 – 11.00 am	Morning Tea
11.00 – 12.00 pm	<p>WHAT CAN WE LEARN FROM REVIEWING TRAGEDY? - DEATH REVIEW COMMITTEES</p> <p>Speakers: <i>Judge Jennifer Coate, Victorian State Coroner,</i> <i>Associate Professor Margarita Frederico, Head of School of Social Work and Social Policy, La Trobe University, Victoria</i></p> <p>Chair: <i>Magistrate Anne Goldsbrough, Magistrates' Court of Victoria</i></p>
12.00 – 1.00 pm	<p>FAMILY VIOLENCE AND OUR COURTS</p> <p>Speakers: <i>Federal Magistrate Michael Baumann, Federal Magistrate Court (papers prepared by Federal Magistrate Tom Altobelli PPT)</i> <i>Ms Zoe Rathus PPT, Law School, Griffith University</i> <i>Dr Rochelle Braaf and Ms Isobelle Barrett Meyering, Australian Domestic and Family Violence Clearinghouse, The University of New South Wales Joint Paper PPT</i></p> <p>Chair: <i>Dr Andrew Cannon AM, Deputy Chief Magistrate, South Australia and AIJA Board member</i></p>
1.00 – 2.00 pm	Lunch
2.00 – 3.00 pm	<p>FAMILY DISPUTE RESOLUTION: RESPONDING TO FAMILY VIOLENCE</p> <p>Speakers: <i>Professor Hilary Astor PPT, Faculty of Law, University of Sydney</i> <i>Ms Rachael Field PPT, School of Law, Queensland University of Technology</i> <i>Ms Paula Bruce PPT, Manager Family Relationships Centre, Parramatta</i></p> <p>Chair: <i>Dr Susan Armstrong, School of Law, University of Western Sydney</i></p>
3.00 – 3.30 pm	Afternoon Tea
3.30 – 4.15 pm	<p>WHAT RESPONSE TO MEN WHO USE VIOLENCE?</p> <p>Speakers: <i>Mr Danny Blay PPT, Men's Referral Service, No To Violence, Victoria</i> <i>Ms Kaye Swanton PPT, Chief Executive Officer, Life Works, Victoria</i> <i>Mr Michael Brandenburg PPT, Manager, Commonwealth and Family Violence Programs, Child and Family Services, Ballarat</i></p> <p>Chair: <i>Magistrate Noreen Toohey, Magistrates' Court of Victoria</i></p>

4.15 – 5.15 pm	OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES FOR ESTABLISHING A MORE COLLABORATIVE AND INTEGRATED RESPONSE TO FAMILY VIOLENCE	
	Policy and Practice: Session 1 (Roosevelt Room) Breaking the Cycle of Domestic and Family Violence in Rockhampton- A new program prevention and Early Intervention Initiative –lessons learned Speaker: Magistrate Annette Hennessy, Rockhampton Magistrates Court	Policy and Practice: Session 2 (Kennedy Room) Judicial Practice in Family Violence - Findings from the VLRC Review of FV Laws Speaker: Ms Padma Raman, CEO Victorian Law Reform Commission
	The Family Violence Court Division and Specialist FV Services projects in Victorian Magistrates Courts –lessons learned from implementation and specialisation Speaker: Magistrate Cathy Lamble PPT Magistrates' Court of Victoria	Assessment of Risk in FV matters – Common Risk Assessment Framework: integration in the community Speaker: Ms Libby Eltringham PPT, Community Legal Officer, Domestic Violence Resource Centre, Victoria
	Partnerships are made of this- ... Gender, Local Governance and Violence Prevention Project, the University of Melbourne-policy implications Speaker: Ms Tracy Castelino PPT, PhD Candidate, Victoria Chair: Magistrate Cathy Lamble	Risk Assessment in FV related matters – practice and implications for Courts in civil and criminal matters Speaker: Magistrate Pauline Spencer PPT, Magistrates' Court of Victoria Chair: Ms Padma Raman
5.15 – 5.45 pm	COMPLIMENTARY POST-CONFERENCE DRINKS – PRESIDENTIAL BALLROOM FOYER (<i>drinks will be complimentary for half an hour and thereafter at the individual cost of delegates</i>) Own dinner arrangements	

SATURDAY 3 OCTOBER 2009 – DAY 3

8.30 – 9.00 am	Registration
9.00 – 10.30 am	SUPPORT AND RESOURCES FOR JUDICIAL OFFICERS: INTERACTIVE DEMONSTRATION OF ELECTRONIC BENCH BOOK ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND FAMILY LAW IN PRACTICE Speakers: Dr Linda Neilson, University of New Brunswick, Canada The Hon Mr Justice John McGarry, Superior Court of Justice, Ontario Paper Joint Paper and PPT Chair: Ms Maria Dimopoulos
10.30 – 11.30 am	ROLE OF THE JUDICIAL OFFICERS IN DOMESTIC VIOLENCE INITIATIVES Speaker: The Hon Eugene Hyman PPT, Judge, Superior Court of California Commentator: The Hon Justice Judy Ryan, Family Court of Australia Chair: Magistrate Anne Goldsbrough
11.30 – 12.00 pm	Morning Tea
12.00 – 1.00 pm	FINAL PLENARY PANEL: TOWARDS A NATIONAL JUDICIAL INSTITUTE ON FAMILY VIOLENCE Facilitator: Professor Greg Reinhardt
1.00 pm	Conclusion