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About NDRI

The National Drug Research Institute (NDRI) is based at Curtin University in Perth, Western Australia. It is a leading national and international authority in the area of drug and alcohol policy and prevention research, and is one of the largest centres of alcohol and other drug research expertise in Australia.

NDRI's mission is to conduct and disseminate policy and practice relevant research that contributes to the primary prevention of harmful drug use and the reduction of drug-related harm. The Institute's research is complemented by the work of the National Drug and Alcohol Research Centre (NDARC) at the University of New South Wales in Sydney and the National Centre for Education and Training on Addiction (NCETA) at Flinders University in Adelaide.

The National Drug Research Institute is supported by funding from the Australian Government under the Substance Misuse Prevention and Service Improvement Grants Fund, with additional research funds obtained from a range of state, national and international funding bodies. The Institute also receives support from Curtin University.

Mission

To conduct and disseminate policy and practice relevant research that contributes to the primary prevention of harmful drug use and the reduction of drug-related harm.

Key Result Areas

- Conduct research that will contribute to the primary prevention of harmful drug use and the reduction of drug related harm.
- Contribute to national capacity for research and disseminate research findings to key groups.

Values

The work of NDRI is guided by the following values:

- Encouragement of academic excellence and productivity
- Academic independence
- Service to the community
- Social equity and justice, including a commitment to Aboriginal Australians
- Relevance to efforts to combat major health and social problems
- The need for rigour and evidence in policy and practice development and implementation
- Openness to other views from internal and external peer review
- Ethical conduct
- Support for and development of early career researchers
- Fairness and equity for staff of all levels

Board of Management



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Director's Report

As always, this last year has been a great one for achievements and outputs by NDRI staff, yet it has also been a year of major change.

With respect to achievements, the list of major highlights for 2016 which follows this Director's Report is testament to the depth and breadth of the research and translation work conducted at the Institute. During the year our staff, students and adjuncts produced 136 NDRI publications including refereed journal articles, reports, books and chapters, gave 71 presentations at conferences, seminars and other events in Australia and internationally, and supervised 18 students. In 2016 we were successful in winning \$4,212,625 in competitive NHMRC, ARC and Healthway research grants, and NDRI received around 1200 mentions in the media.

It will be apparent in reading our highlights for the year that although NDRI is an academic institute and does well in terms of academic metrics, a defining tenet of our research activity is a focus on relevance, application and impact through contributing to practical and real world solutions to alcohol and other drug related harm in Australian communities. This involves engagement of community stakeholders in the design and conduct of research and in the translation and application of research findings in local and national policies and strategies.

Late in the year, as consortium partners with lead agency the National Drug and Alcohol Research Centre (NDARC), along with St Vincent's Health Australia and the National Centre for Education and Training on Addiction (NCETA), we were successful in winning an \$8 million grant to run a Centre of Excellence for the Clinical Management of Emerging Drugs of Concern. This four year project involves bringing together clinical and research expertise across the alcohol and other drug sector in Australia and beyond to, beginning with methamphetamine, improve the response to new and emerging substances in this country.

Regarding changes, in August Professor Steve Allsop stood down from the NDRI Directorship after 12 years in the role marked by outstanding commitment to the Institute, Curtin University, and the alcohol and other drug field both in this country and internationally. As Director, Steve played a key role in maintaining and strengthening NDRI's position on both the academic and strategic policy landscape. The good news for us all is that Steve hasn't left the Institute but is now spending more time pursuing his research, supervision, mentoring and policy advice work. Steve's contribution as Director was marked with a celebratory event at NDRI in October with many tributes and stories sent from Steve's colleagues and collaborators nationwide and internationally.

With Steve stepping down, I was invited and accepted the position of NDRI Director commencing on September 1 for an initial period of two years. I'm honored to have the opportunity to lead this outstanding, motivated and productive team, and provide stability in the transition to a new funding contract for the Institute. I've had great support from the NDRI staff as a whole, the



NDRI Board, and the management group: Professor Steve Allsop, Professor Dennis Gray and Fran Davis, NDRI Business Manager. Colleagues at the Curtin Faculty of Health Sciences, our funders the Commonwealth Department of Health, and Professors Mike Farrell and Ann Roche, the Directors of NDARC and NCETA, have also provided sound counsel in helping me settle into the position.

The other major change has been the move from our wonderful offices and facilities at Curtin University's Health Research Campus in Shenton Park to buildings in Technology Park, Bentley, adjacent to Curtin's main campus. This move, as a result of the State Government redeveloping the Shenton Park site for a residential precinct, has been difficult. I would like to acknowledge all NDRI Perth staff for their good natured forbearance with the current situation whilst we work with Faculty towards accommodation which is more conducive to our activities at the Institute.

In late 2016 our core funding from the Australian Government was extended until June 2017, and the Government opened a tender call for funding of national alcohol and other drug research centres for a four year period. In anticipation of our funding application being successful, we look forward in 2017, our 30th year, to continuing to work with our community partners to conduct and disseminate high quality research that supports evidence informed policy, strategies and practice approaches to prevent and minimise alcohol and other drug-related harms in Australia.

Professor Simon Lenton
Director

Highlights and Achievements 2016

- Associate Professor Ted Wilkes was awarded the Australian Medical Association (AMA WA) President's Award, presented to a non-clinician who has contributed greatly to health in Western Australia (see page 7).
- NDRI adjunct and former researcher Dr Susan Carruthers was recognised by Hepatitis Australia with an Outstanding Service Award for Viral Hepatitis Health Promotion for her significant contribution to the viral hepatitis sector and to the health and wellbeing of people affected by viral hepatitis.
- Leading methamphetamine researcher Associate Professor Rebecca McKetin joined NDRI to take up a four-year Curtin University Research Fellowship and lead a program of research on crystal methamphetamine ('ice'). She was awarded \$1.55m by the NHMRC to lead a world-first out-patient trial of a promising new medication, N-acetyl-cysteine (NAC), for ice dependence.
- Professor Suzanne Fraser and Dr Robyn Dwyer were awarded an Australian Research Council (ARC) grant of \$502k to conduct a project investigating barriers to the uptake of 'take-home' naloxone (THN) for reversal of opioid overdose in Australia.
- Professor Suzanne Fraser and Professor David Moore were awarded an ARC grant of \$472k to conduct a study into performance and image enhancing drug (PIED) injecting in Australia.
- Dr Michael Wright was granted more than \$3m in NHMRC and Healthway funding to lead two new projects aimed at transforming Western Australian mental health and drug and alcohol services to provide culturally appropriate access for Aboriginal people.
- Two Melbourne-based NDRI scholars, Aaron Hart and Adrian Farrugia, and one Perth-based NDRI scholar, Amineh Rashidi, completed their PhDs in 2016. Three PhD scholars, Sushil Raj, William Gillmore and Todd Subritzky and one Masters scholar, Rosemary Whalley, commenced their studies.
- NDRI led a major collaborative project, coordinated by Dr Robert Tait, involving colleagues from NDARC, NCETA and elsewhere aimed at providing an assessment of the diverse societal costs of methamphetamine use including those associated with clan lab clean up, policing, health impacts, justice services, traffic injuries, deaths and costs in the workplace.
- NDRI Melbourne's Social Studies of Addiction Concepts (SSAC) team launched *Lives of Substance*, Australia's first dedicated website presenting carefully researched personal stories of drug addiction, dependence or habit (see page 7).
- Alcohol researchers from NDRI, Canada and the USA conducted an international research analysis which found that studies showing health benefits from moderate drinking were flawed. The study was published in the March issue of the *Journal of Studies on Alcohol and Drugs*, generating media coverage internationally.
- Professor Simon Lenton and Marina Nelson launched an evaluation of Western Australia's first take-home naloxone (THN) project to coincide with National Overdose Awareness Day, which found that the THN program saves lives and should be continued and expanded.
- A study conducted by researchers at NDRI and the Centre for Addictions Research of British Columbia (CARBC) in Canada found new evidence of a significant link between alcohol consumption and prostate cancer. Published in the journal *BMC Cancer*, the study generated substantial international media interest.
- Adjunct Professor Richard Midford gave an NDRI seminar to launch new research funded by NDRI and FARE (Foundation for Alcohol Research and Education) on the *Long-term Evaluation of the Norseman Voluntary Liquor Agreement*.
- The Alcohol Policy team launched two National Alcohol Indicators Project (NAIP) bulletins 2016, both of which generated national media coverage: *Trends in estimated alcohol-related emergency department presentations in Australia*, and *Trends in estimated alcohol-attributable assault hospitalisations in Australia*.



NDRI hosted a workshop for a Malaysian university delegation of over 30 students and staff on an academic visit looking at drug and alcohol treatment in Western Australia.

Highlights and Achievements 2016 (continued)

- The School Health and Alcohol Harm Reduction Program (SHAHRP) continued to be widely adopted by organisations nationally and internationally. In addition to Australia, countries using the SHAHRP materials now include Brazil, Canada, Colombia, Ireland, New Zealand, South Africa, Switzerland, the UK, the USA, and international schools in Angola and China.
- The Social Studies of Addiction Concepts (SSAC) program, in collaboration with the Monash University Faculty of Law, hosted a symposium on *Social and Legal Studies of Addiction Concepts* to showcase research and facilitate discussion on emerging approaches and issues in this area.
- NDRI had a strong presence at the fourth National Indigenous Drug & Alcohol Conference with a number of researchers involved as presenters and chairs including Professor Dennis Gray, Anna Stearne, Kim Cartwright and Associate Professor Ted Wilkes who presented the Noel Hayman Oration, speaking about the challenges of Aboriginal alcohol and other drugs policy, and the pressing need for Aboriginal Australians to be involved in the policy process.
- Professor Simon Lenton and Associate Professor Ted Wilkes participated in a cross-party Parliamentary Drug Summit in Canberra at which experts shared experiences and recommendations around harm minimisation and drug law reform.
- Dr Anne-Marie Laslett was a panellist, along with Professor Angela Taft, Clementine Ford and Wendy Steendam, in La Trobe University's Bold Thinking public lecture series event held at the National Gallery of Victoria on the role of alcohol in family violence.
- NDRI's Melbourne office hosted academic visits by three international scholars: Danish postdoctoral researcher Dr Ditte Andersen, Danish PhD student Rasmus Birk, and British addictions researcher Fay Dennis.
- Professor Steve Allsop attended, as part of the Australian Government delegation, the 59th Session of the United Nations Commission on Narcotic Drugs in Vienna and the United Nations General Assembly Special Session (UNGASS) on the World Drug Problem in New York. He also attended the third WHO-UNODC meeting in Geneva as an invited expert.
- Professor Tanya Chikritzhs visited Sweden in August and December as invited co-chair of Systembolaget international review panel meetings on the evaluation of the Swedish alcohol monopoly for the Swedish Government.



NDRI Adjunct Associate Professor John Boffa (L) shared the 2016 AMA Excellence in Healthcare Award with Donna Ah Chee for their enormous contribution to reducing harms from alcohol and improving outcomes for Aboriginal children in central Australia.

- Minister Susan Ley was escorted by Professor Steve Allsop, in his capacity as deputy chair of the Australian National Advisory Council on Alcohol and Drugs (ANACAD), on a tour of alcohol and other drug treatment services in Perth in September.
- Dr Nyanda McBride's book on *Intervention Research - A Practical Guide for Developing Evidence-based School Prevention Programmes* was published, offering a guide when pursuing intervention research in schools and other settings.
- The article *Alcohol: taking a population perspective* by NDRI researcher William Gilmore and colleagues was published in *Nature Reviews Gastroenterology & Hepatology* in May and rated in the 97% percentile for downloads both within Nature journals and in general after only a few months in circulation.
- An article by NDRI PhD student Todd Subritzky's on *Issues in the implementation and evolution of the commercial recreational cannabis market in Colorado* was selected as the Editors' Choice in the January *International Journal of Drug Policy*.
- NDRI authors Professor Simon Lenton, Adjunct Associate Professor Nicole Lee and Adjunct Research Fellow Stephen Bright contributed seven articles to *The Conversation*, with Professor Lenton's article on *Why do our friends want us to drink and dislike it when we don't?* achieving around 390,000 reads and being republished 21 times.

Lives of Substance launched by NDRI

NDRI Melbourne researchers launched an innovative new website *livesofsubstance.org* in October 2016. Based on an ARC-funded project, *Lives of Substance* is Australia's first dedicated website presenting carefully researched personal stories of alcohol or other drug addiction, dependence or habit.

The website's aim is to generate and present much-needed new insights into the lives of people with drug use experiences of this kind. How do people manage this aspect of their lives? How do they cope with the stigma associated with addiction? What challenges do they face and how do they cope and thrive?



In addressing these questions, *Lives of Substance* offers new perspectives on people often dismissed or stigmatised as dysfunctional, dangerous or sick. Drawing on in-depth qualitative interviews, the website presents detailed life stories of people who consider themselves to have an addiction, dependence or drug habit. Also presented are key themes found in the interviews:

- How alcohol and other drug use fits into everyday life
- Coping with stigma and discrimination
- Looking after health and well-being
- Seeking help or initiating change

Themes are presented using video re-enactments, original audio recordings and written extracts from the interviews.

The site was launched with the help of writer Kate Holden and harm reduction pioneer Jenny Kelsall. Speaking at the launch, Holden commented:

We have much to learn from people who are part of our community. People who use drugs are not 'them' but 'us' [...] This is a website that I believe has the power to change lives.

Planned and designed with the help of a large national advisory panel, *Lives of Substance* aims to support people who take drugs, inform the public about their many different life experiences, and act as an information and training resource for professionals.

AMA award for Aboriginal health champion

NDRI's Associate Professor Ted Wilkes was recognised by the Australian Medical Association (AMA) in 2016 for his distinguished career championing the health of Indigenous Australians.

The AMA President's Award, given to a non-clinician who has contributed greatly to health in Western Australia, was received by Associate Professor Wilkes at the AMA (WA) Annual Charity Gala Dinner and Awards Night - an annual event to recognise great achievements in health leadership and medical research.

Associate Professor Wilkes has collaborated with the AMA (WA) over many years to improve health outcomes for Indigenous Australians, producing the landmark publication *A Medical Practitioner's Guide to Aboriginal Health* in 1998 – a resource that is still considered vital by any doctor who has interactions with Aboriginal communities across the country.

Associate Professor Wilkes is a leader of NDRI's Aboriginal Research Program and plays an active role in capacity building and research. He is a member of the Australian National Advisory Council on Alcohol and Drugs, and was previously a member of the Australian National Council on Drugs and Chair of the National Indigenous Drug and Alcohol Committee.



Research Overview

NDRI is amongst the largest centres of alcohol and other drug research expertise in Australia. Recognising that problems associated with alcohol and other drug use are complex, a multi-disciplinary approach to research is pursued. NDRI staff come from diverse backgrounds, including psychology, epidemiology, biostatistics, sociology, anthropology, medicine and public health. A range of high level skills and a wealth of knowledge contribute to innovative research approaches.

NDRI works closely with a diverse range of stakeholders, and a culture of collaboration ensures that much of its work is further strengthened through partnerships with other research bodies, government, and non-government organisations locally, nationally and internationally. The Institute is a designated World Health Organization (WHO) Collaborating Centre for the Prevention of Alcohol and Drug Abuse.

The following pages list new, ongoing and completed projects undertaken by NDRI researchers during 2016, organised by key research priorities (listed below). Further project information can be found on NDRI's website at ndri.curtin.edu.au.

Key Research Priorities

NDRI's research is organised into nine key research priority areas:

- Alcohol policy and strategies
- Needs of Aboriginal Australians
- Justice health
- Enhancing primary prevention and early intervention
- Reducing harm among people who continue to use alcohol and other drugs
- Understanding social contexts of drug use
- Social studies of addiction concepts
- The role of new technologies in drug use and interventions
- Social costs of drugs and alcohol

Research Activities

ALCOHOL POLICY AND STRATEGIES

Alcohol policy and strategies research is aimed at reducing access to alcohol when availability increases harm, developing information and systems to identify and respond to risky alcohol use, reducing risky drinking, and investigating alcohol-related disease and injury.

New Projects

Young Australians Alcohol Reporting System 2016-2017

NDRI staff: Tina Lam, Tanya Chikritzhs, Will Gilmore, Steve Allsop, Simon Lenton, Wenbin Liang

Project partners: Turning Point/Monash University; NDARC, University of New South Wales; Charles Darwin University; Flinders University

Funded by: AGDH

Ongoing Projects

Alcohol-related harm in Western Australia reduced through cost-effective initiatives

NDRI staff: Tanya Chikritzhs

Project leader: Centre for Population Health, Curtin University

Project partners: School of Public Health, Curtin University; Pacific Institute of Research and Evaluation; WA Health Department; Centre for Data Linkage, Curtin University; Public Health Advocacy Institute, Curtin University; Injury Control Council of WA

Funded by: Healthway

Can parents teach their children to drink responsibly? Or, is one drop a drop too many?

NDRI staff: Nyanda McBride

Project leaders: NDARC

Project partners: QADREC, University of Queensland; Centre for Clinical Epidemiology and Biostatistics, University of Newcastle; University of Tasmania

Funded by: ARC via NDARC

Developing and testing cancer warning messages for alcohol product labels

NDRI staff: Tanya Chikritzhs, Wenbin Liang

Project leaders: UWA

Funded by: Healthway

Does risk-based licensing of alcohol sales reduce alcohol-related harm?

NDRI staff: Tanya Chikritzhs, Elise Gordon, Eveline Lensvelt

Project partners: School of Psychology, Deakin University; Centre for Addiction and Mental Health, USA

Funded by: ARC

Effective health promotion with young risky drinkers

NDRI staff: Tina Lam, Steve Allsop

Funded by: Healthway

Exploring alcohol-related beliefs and behaviours among 18-21 year old Western Australian drinkers

NDRI staff: Tanya Chikritzhs

Project leaders: Health Promotion Evaluation Unit, UWA

Project partners: McCusker Centre for Action on Alcohol and Youth, Curtin University; Centre for Health Initiatives, University of Wollongong

Funded by: Healthway

Harm to children from others' drinking

NDRI staff: Anne-Marie Laslett, Tanya Chikritzhs

Funded by: NHMRC Early Career Research Fellowship

Investigating the impact of liquor superstores in Western Australia

NDRI staff: Tanya Chikritzhs, Michelle Hobday, Wenbin Liang, William Gilmore

Funded by: Mental Health Commission

Modelling the public health and safety impacts of liquor licensing changes on communities: Enhancing evidence-based liquor licensing decisions

NDRI staff: Wenbin Liang, Tanya Chikritzhs, Will Gilmore, Eveline Lensvelt, Elise Gordon

Funded by: Healthway

National alcohol indicators project (NAIP)

NDRI staff: Tanya Chikritzhs, William Gilmore, Eveline Lensvelt

Funded by: AGDH

National alcohol sales data project (stage 5)

NDRI staff: Tanya Chikritzhs, Steve Allsop, Wendy Loxley, William Gilmore, Paul Catalano

Funded by: AGDH

Research Activities

ALCOHOL POLICY AND STRATEGIES (CONTINUED)

Proximity to alcohol outlets and risk of road crash:

A population-based study

NDRI staff: Tanya Chikritzhs, William Gilmore

Project leaders: George Institute

Funded by: Australian Rechabite Foundation

Pub extended trading hours: Effects on drunkenness and alcohol-related harm

NDRI staff: Tanya Chikritzhs, Wenbin Liang, William Gilmore, Elise Gordon, Eveline Lensvelt

Project partners: School of Psychology, Deakin University; Centre for Epidemiology and Biostatistics, University of Newcastle; Centre for Addiction and Mental Health, USA; Licensing Enforcement Division, Western Australia Police

Funded by: Healthway

Understanding recent Australian trends in alcohol consumption and harms

NDRI staff: Tanya Chikritzhs

Project leaders: Centre for Alcohol Policy Research

Project partners: Turning Point Alcohol and Drug Centre; Centre for Population Health, Burnet Institute

Funded by: ARC



Completed Projects

Alcohol: Monitoring and policy evaluation

NDRI staff: Tanya Chikritzhs

Funded by: NHMRC Early Career Development Fellowship

Burden of disease analysis

NDRI staff: Tanya Chikritzhs, Tim Stockwell (Adjunct)

Project partners: Centre for Addictions Research of BC, University of Victoria, Canada

Funded by: NDRI

Consumption and purchasing patterns in Western Australia, Australia and the World: The international alcohol control study

NDRI staff: Tanya Chikritzhs

Project leader: La Trobe University

Project partners: Centre for Population Health, Burnet Institute; Centre for Alcohol Policy Research, Turning Point

Funded by: Healthway

Investigating the relationships between alcohol and other drug use, mental health, early-life factors and life-course outcomes: Integrative analyses of data from four Australasian cohort studies

NDRI staff: Steve Allsop, Robert Tait

Project leaders: NDARC

Funded by: NHMRC

Minimum pricing for alcohol: What does the WA public think

NDRI staff: Tanya Chikritzhs

Project leaders: School of Psychology, Curtin University

Funded by: Healthway

What is the influence of alcohol outlet density, price and promotion on trends in adolescents' drinking behaviours?

NDRI staff: Tanya Chikritzhs, William Gilmore

Project leaders: Cancer Council Victoria

Funded by: NHMRC

Research Activities

NEEDS OF ABORIGINAL AUSTRALIANS

Needs of Aboriginal Australians research aims to prevent and reduce alcohol and other drug-related harm in Aboriginal communities through partnerships with Aboriginal community-controlled organisations and by building Aboriginal research capacity.

New Projects

Increasing uptake of evidence-based management of unhealthy alcohol use in Aboriginal primary health care services

NDRI staff: Ted Wilkes, Dennis Gray

Project leaders: University of Sydney

Project partners: Royal Prince Alfred Hospital; Inala Indigenous Health Service; University of Wollongong; Aboriginal Drug and Alcohol Council, SA; Aboriginal Health Council, SA; UNSW

Funded by: NHMRC

Closing the gap in early childhood development: Community driven evidence, translation, policy, and practice - grow children up strong

NDRI staff: Michael Wright

Project leaders: Telethon Kids Institute

Project partners: Australian Catholic University

Funded by: NHMRC

Evaluation of the establishment of the Footsteps - Road to Recovery (Footsteps) Program

NDRI staff: Anna Stearne

Project partners: Aboriginal Drug and Alcohol Council (SA)

Funded by: ADAC (SA)

Novel interventions to address methamphetamines in Aboriginal communities, including a randomised trial of a web based therapeutic tool used to treat dependence in clinical settings

NDRI staff: Rebecca McKetin, Ted Wilkes, Dennis Gray, Julia Butt

Project leaders: South Australian Health & Medical Research Institute (SAHMRI)

Project partners: Centre for Social Research in Health, UNSW; University of Sydney; Hunter New England LHD; Burnet Institute; Kirby Institute, UNSW; St Vincent's LHN

Funded by: NHMRC

Ongoing Projects

Australian Indigenous Alcohol and other Drugs Knowledge Centre

NDRI staff: Dennis Gray, Anna Stearne, Ted Wilkes

Project leaders: Australian Indigenous HealthInfoNet, ECU

Project partners: NDARC and NCETA

Funded by: AGDH

Better methods to collect self-report data on alcohol use from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians

NDRI staff: Tanya Chikritzhs, Dennis Gray, Ted Wilkes

Project leaders: University of Sydney

Project partners: Turning Point; University of Queensland; Aboriginal Health Council South Australia; National Centre for Epidemiology & Population Health, ANU; NDARC, UNSW; Aboriginal Health & Medical Research Council (NSW)

Funded by: NHMRC

Lowitja Institute Cooperative Research Centres Program

NDRI staff: Ted Wilkes

The next generation: Understanding health trajectories in Aboriginal adolescents and youth

NDRI staff: Ted Wilkes, Dennis Gray, Anna Stearne

Project leaders: Baker IDI Heart and Diabetes Institute

Project partners: National Centre for Epidemiology and Population Health, Australian National University; University of Sydney; UNSW; Centre for Informing Health Policy with Evidence from Research; Monash Children's Hospital

Funded by: NHMRC

Completed Projects

From Broome to Berrima: Building Australia-wide research capacity in Indigenous offender health and health care delivery

NDRI staff: Dennis Gray, Steve Allsop

Project partners: Kirby Institute; UNSW; National Centre for Indigenous Studies, Australian National University; Winnunga Nimmityjah Aboriginal Health Service, ACT

Funded by: NHMRC

Evaluation of the 'Makin Tracks' 4 project

NDRI staff: Dennis Gray, Anna Stearne

Project partners: Aboriginal Drug and Alcohol Council (SA)

Funded by: AGDH and ADAC (SA)

Research Activities

JUSTICE HEALTH

Justice health research focuses on the link between drug use and offending behaviour, in particular the development of evidence-based interventions and treatments as both alternatives to incarceration and to enhance the outcomes of incarceration.

New Projects

Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal women perpetrators of violence: a trial of a prison-based intervention (Beyond Violence)

NDRI staff: Mandy Wilson, Jocelyn Jones

Project leaders: Kirby Institute, UNSW

Project partners: Michigan State University; University of Newcastle; University of New South Wales; NDARC, UNSW

Funded by: NHMRC

Ongoing Projects

Fighting, alcohol and offending: Interventions targeting Aboriginal girls

NDRI staff: Mandy Wilson, Jocelyn Jones, Julia Butt, Ted Wilkes

Project partners: Aboriginal Alcohol and Drug Service

Funded by: Healthway

Social and cultural resilience and emotional well-being of Aboriginal mothers in prison

NDRI staff: Mandy Wilson, Jocelyn Jones

Project leaders: Kirby Institute, UNSW

Project partners: Combined Universities Centre for Rural Health WA; University of Technology, Sydney; ANU Medical School; National Perinatal Epidemiology and Statistics Unit, UNSW

Funded by: NHMRC

Completed Projects

Hepatitis C, prisons and treatment opportunities (HePATO)

NDRI staff: Susan Carruthers, Jocelyn Jones

Project leaders: Kirby Institute, UNSW

Project partners: Royal Perth Hospital

Funded by: NHMRC



Research Activities

ENHANCING PRIMARY PREVENTION AND EARLY INTERVENTION

Enhancing primary prevention and early intervention research explores factors that influence and prevent the early uptake and problematic use of alcohol and other drugs, particularly during childhood and adolescence, and including a focus on disadvantaged populations.

New Projects

Commonwealth illicit drug education: Positive Choices portal maintenance

NDRI staff: Steve Allsop, Nyanda McBride

Project leaders: NDARC, UNSW

Funded by: AGDH

Ongoing Projects

Adolescent alcohol use: Determining priorities for parent interventions

NDRI staff: Nyanda McBride

Project leaders: Edith Cowan University

Project partners: Newcastle University; Drug and Alcohol Office WA

Funded by: Healthway

Continuing dissemination of the School Health and Alcohol Harm Reduction Project (SHAHRP)

NDRI staff: Nyanda McBride

Funded by: NDRI

Impacts of parental supply of alcohol on late-adolescent alcohol outcomes: phase II of a longitudinal cohort

NDRI staff: Nyanda McBride

Project leaders: NDARC, UNSW

Project partners: University of Newcastle; University of Tasmania

Funded by: Australian Rotary Health

Internet-based universal prevention for anxiety, depression and substance use in young Australians (CSC Study)

NDRI staff: Steve Allsop, Nyanda McBride, Nina Te Pas

Project leaders: NDARC

Project partners: Clinical Research Unit for Anxiety and Depression, UNSW; Centre for Youth Substance Abuse Research, QUT

Funded by: NHMRC

International dissemination of the School Health and Alcohol Harm Reduction Project (SHAHRP)

NDRI staff: Nyanda McBride

Funded by: NDRI

Paternal contribution to alcohol exposed pregnancies and fetal and infant health

NDRI staff: Nyanda McBride

Funded by: NDRI

School based program for alcohol misuse prevention: A study about the school context and an adapted version of SHAHRP to the Brazilian reality

NDRI staff: Nyanda McBride

Project leaders: Universidade Federal de São Paulo, Brazil

Funded by: National Council for Scientific and Technological Development, Brazil

SHAHRP and TATI Alcohol Misuse Prevention Programme (STAMPP): School based cluster randomised controlled trial

NDRI staff: Nyanda McBride

Project partners: University of Liverpool, UK

Funded by: National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) Public Health Research Programme

Substance use, mental disorders and physical illness in childhood and early adulthood

NDRI staff: Wenbin Liang

Funded by: Curtin University Targeted Research Fellowship

The RADAR project: Identifying early warning signals on the pathways to alcohol use disorder

NDRI staff: Nyanda McBride

Project leaders: University of New South Wales

Project partners: University of Newcastle; Washington University; University of Melbourne; University of Queensland; University of Tasmania

Funded by: NHMRC

The use and promotion of alcohol in Australian secondary schools

NDRI staff: Nyanda McBride

Project partners: Turning Point;

Monash University;

Funded by: Vic Health; FARE; Healthway

Research Activities

REDUCING HARM AMONG PEOPLE WHO CONTINUE TO USE ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUGS

Reducing harm among people who continue to use alcohol and other drugs research aims to inform policy and practice interventions that will reduce the harm to individuals, families, organisations and communities for people who continue to use alcohol and other drugs.

New Projects

Implementation and evaluation of take-home naloxone for opioid overdose prevention in drug and alcohol treatment and needle syringe program attendees

NDRI staff: Simon Lenton

Project partners: South Eastern Sydney Local Health District

Funded by: NSW Health Department

Ongoing Projects

Ecstasy and related Drugs Reporting System (EDRS)

NDRI staff: Simon Lenton, Candice Rainsford, Jodie Grigg

Project partners: NDARC

Funded by: NDLERF via NDARC

Evaluation of the take-home naloxone distribution initiatives in Victoria

NDRI staff: Robyn Dwyer

Project leaders: Centre for Population Health, Burnet Institute

Project partners: Victoria University

Funded by: CREIDU and Victoria University

Illicit Drug Reporting System (IDRS)

NDRI staff: Simon Lenton, James Fetherston

Project partners: NDARC

Funded by: AGDoH and NDLERF via NDARC

Investigating methamphetamine use and harms in the western region of Melbourne

NDRI staff: Robyn Dwyer

Project leaders: Victoria University

Funded by: Victoria University

Peer naloxone education Acacia Prison follow up interviews

NDRI staff: Simon Lenton

Funded by: Mental Health Commission WA

The use of 'study drugs' by WA tertiary students

NDRI staff: Simon Lenton, Marina Nelson

Funded by: NDRI

Completed Projects

Evaluation of the Sydney Overdose Prevention Education and Narcan® (OPEN) project

NDRI staff: Simon Lenton

Funded by: NDRI

Evaluation of the WA peer naloxone project

NDRI staff: Simon Lenton

Project partners: Drug and Alcohol Office, WA; Burnet Institute; Kirby Institute, UNSW

Independent evaluation of the 'expanded Naloxone availability in the ACT (ENAACT)' program 2011-2013

NDRI staff: Simon Lenton

Project partners: Burnet Institute; NCEPH

Funded by: ACT Health

The social supply of cannabis among young people in Australia - international research collaboration

NDRI staff: Simon Lenton, Jodie Grigg, Monica Barratt (adjunct)

Project partners: NDARC, UNSW; University of New England

Funded by: NDLERF

Using longitudinal studies of people who use drugs to understand their health and social needs

NDRI staff: Peter Higgs

Funded by: Curtin Research Fellowship

Research Activities

UNDERSTANDING SOCIAL CONTEXTS OF DRUG USE

Understanding social contexts of drug use research examines the social, cultural, economic, physical and political environments of alcohol and other drug use and related harm, with a view to removing or decreasing barriers to harm-reduction through changes to policy and practice.

Ongoing Projects

Developing the capacity to model the impact of interventions that target high-risk drinking among young Australians

NDRI staff: David Moore

Project partners: Burnet Institute; Turning Point Alcohol and Drug Centre; University of Wollongong

Funded by: ARC Discovery Project

Reducing the health, social and economic burden of injecting drug use in Australia

NDRI staff: David Moore

Project leaders: Burnet Institute

Project partners: Turning Point Alcohol and Drug Centre; National Centre in HIV Epidemiology and Clinical Research; NDARC; University of Queensland

Funded by: NHMRC Centre for Research Excellence

The treatment and prevention (TAP) study

NDRI staff: Peter Higgs

Project leaders: Centre for Population Health, Burnet Institute; St Vincent's Hospital, Melbourne

Project partners: University of Melbourne

Funded by: Gilead Sciences

Understanding and responding to public alcohol and other drug use and impacts in Melbourne's western region

NDRI staff: Robyn Dwyer

Project leaders: Centre for Cultural Diversity and Wellbeing, Victoria University

Funded by: Victoria University



Completed Projects

An evaluation of the effectiveness of Holyoake's core programs

NDRI staff: Robert Tait, Marina Nelson

Funded by: Holyoake

Documenting and better understanding the life trajectories of people who inject drugs

NDRI staff: Peter Higgs

Funded by: NHMRC

Understanding the barriers to improved access, engagement and retention of methamphetamine users in health services

NDRI staff: David Moore

Project partners: Centre for Population Health, Burnet Institute; National Centre in Epidemiology & Population Health, ANU; University of Wollongong

Funded by: NHMRC

Research Activities

SOCIAL STUDIES OF ADDICTION CONCEPTS

Social studies of addiction concepts research examines assumptions about the origins, nature and meaning of drug use and addiction with the aim of better informing policy and developing clearer concepts and more productive approaches for improving alcohol and other drug-related health and social outcomes.

Making addiction in screening and diagnostic tools used in AOD and other health settings

NDRI staff: Robyn Dwyer, Suzanne Fraser

Funded by: Curtin ORD (in support of ARC Future Fellowship)

Understanding and preventing hepatitis C transmission within sexual partnerships

NDRI staff: Suzanne Fraser

Funded by: NHMRC

Ongoing Projects

Analysing and comparing concepts of addiction for improved social and health outcomes in Australia

NDRI staff: Suzanne Fraser, Robyn Dwyer

Funded by: ARC Future Fellowship

Experiences of addiction, treatment and recovery: An online resource for members of the public, health professionals and policymakers

NDRI staff: Suzanne Fraser, David Moore, Kiran Pienaar

Project partners: Monash University; Centre for Social Research in Health, University of New South Wales; Hunter New England Area Health Service

Funded by: Australian Research Council

Completed Projects

Concepts of addiction and social inclusion in Swedish and Australian drug policy

NDRI staff: Suzanne Fraser, David Moore

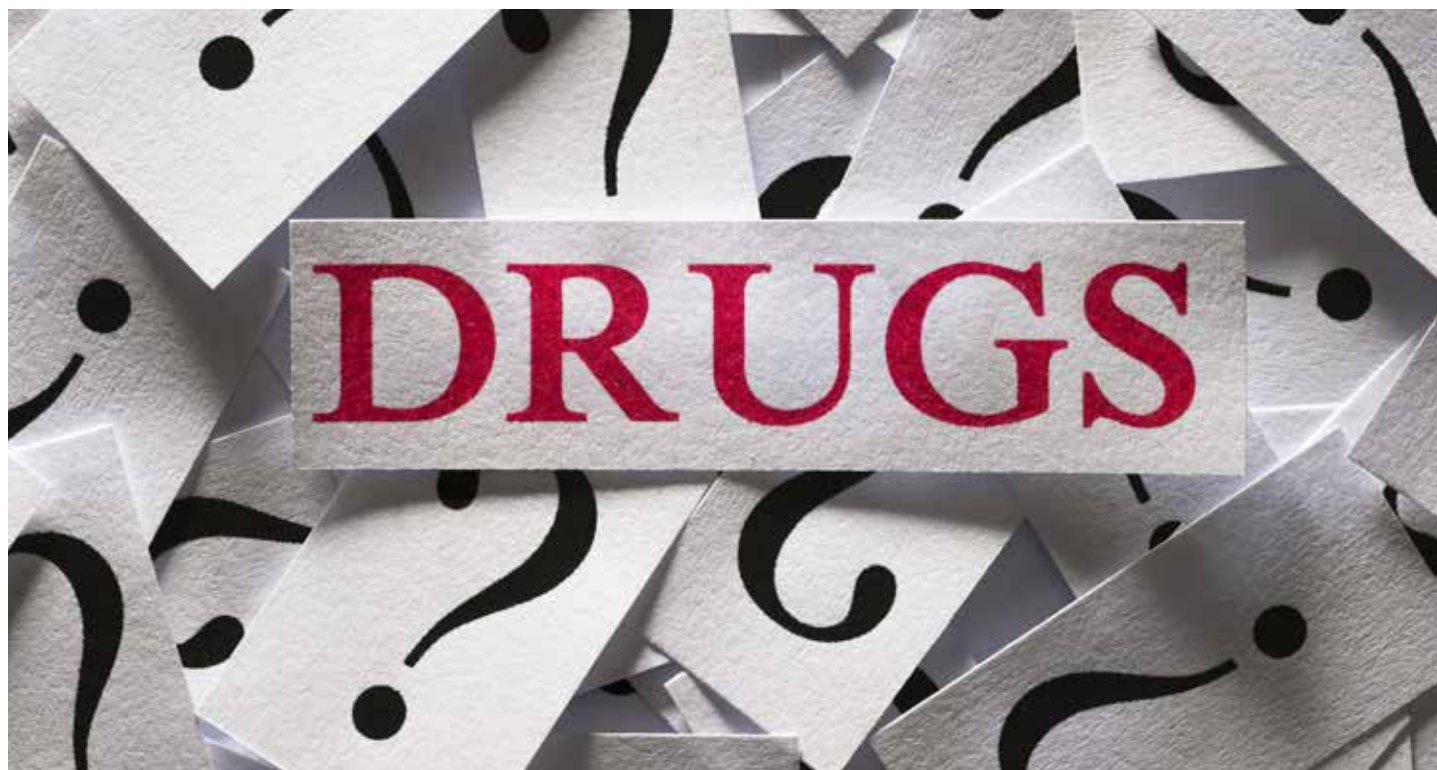
Project partners: SoRAD, Stockholm University, Sweden

Funded by: Swedish Research Grant Council

Regulating addictions: A pilot study exploring the role of the law in the identification and management of addictions

NDRI staff: Kate Seear (Adjunct), Suzanne Fraser

Funded by: Addiction Concepts Startup Fund



Research Activities

THE ROLE OF NEW TECHNOLOGIES IN DRUG USE AND INTERVENTIONS

The role of new technologies in drug use and interventions research is developing the evidence base around the intersection between drug use and information and the online environment, including online interventions for at-risk alcohol and other drug users.

New Projects

Cracks in the Ice: Development and dissemination of an online toolkit to provide evidence-based information about crystal methamphetamine (ice)

NDRI staff: Steve Allsop, Nyanda McBride

Project leader: NDARC, UNSW

Funded by: AGDH

Developing an interactive web based alcohol harm monitoring tool for Australia - Burden of disease analysis

NDRI staff: Tanya Chikritzhs

Project partner: Centre for Addictions Research of BC, University of Victoria, Canada

Funded by: NDRI

Development of an online intervention program, Breaking the Ice

NDRI staff: Rebecca McKetin, Robert Tait

Project partners: University of Newcastle; University of New South Wales

Funded by: The Health Administration Corporation (NSW Health)

Drugs on the darknet: Assessing the global health risks of a rapidly expanding market

NDRI staff: Simon Lenton

Project leader: NDARC, UNSW

Project partners: California State University; Griffith University; Macquarie University; University of Queensland; University of Montreal; University of Manchester

Funded by: NHMRC

Ongoing Projects

Evaluating social media communications in prosocial and antisocial behaviours associated with alcohol misuse in young people

NDRI staff: Tanya Chikritzhs

Project partners: Australian Drug Foundation

Funded by: Curtin University

Internet interventions for substance use problems: Can the ideal of universal care be fulfilled?

NDRI staff: Robert Tait

Funded by: Curtin University Research Fellowship

Online survey of small-scale domestic cannabis - Part of an international research collaboration

NDRI staff: Simon Lenton, Monica Barratt (Adjunct)

Project partners: NDARC, UNSW

Funded by: NDRI

Completed Projects

A pilot study investigating Silk Road, the anonymous online drug marketplace

NDRI staff: Monica Barratt (Adjunct), Simon Lenton

Project partners: NDARC, UNSW; Deakin University

Funded by: NDRI

An adaptation of "SnowControl", an internet delivered intervention for problematic cocaine use, to an intervention for problematic methamphetamine use

NDRI staff: Robert Tait

Funded by: Curtin University Research Fellowship

10-Year outcomes of an emergency department delivered brief intervention with adolescent alcohol and other substance users

NDRI staff: Robert Tait

Project leader: University of Western Australia

Funded by: WA Department of Health

Research Activities

SOCIAL COSTS OF DRUGS AND ALCOHOL

New Projects

Novel interventions to address methamphetamines in Aboriginal communities, including a randomised trial of a web based therapeutic tool used to treat dependence in clinical settings

NDRI staff: Rebecca McKetin, Ted Wilkes, Dennis Gray, Julia Butt
Project leader: South Australian Health and Medical Research Institute

Project partners: University of New South Wales; University of Sydney; Hunter New England Health; Burnet Institute; St Vincents & Mater Health, Sydney
Funded by: NHMRC

Randomised double-blind placebo-controlled study of lisdexamfetamine for the treatment of methamphetamine dependence

NDRI staff: Rebecca McKetin
Project leader: St Vincents & Mater Health, Sydney
Project partners: University of Sydney, University of Adelaide Hunter New England Health; University of South Australia; University of Tasmania; St Vincent's Centre for Applied Medical Research
Funded by: NHMRC

Research into methamphetamine use in the ACT

NDRI staff: Rebecca McKetin
Project partner: Australian National University
Funded by: ACT Health

Responding to the methamphetamine epidemic in Australia: Recruit and establish the SuperUnMET cohort

NDRI staff: Rebecca McKetin
Project leader: Burnet Institute
Funded by: Colonial Foundation Trust

Mental health and the PATH to Midlife

NDRI staff: Rebecca McKetin
Project leaders: University of Melbourne
Project partners: Australian National University, University of New South Wales; University of Aberdeen
Funded by: NHMRC

Ongoing Projects

Identifying the social costs of methamphetamine: Establishing a methodology to identify the social costs of drugs and alcohol

NDRI staff: Steve Allsop, Tanya Chikritzhs, Simon Lenton, Dennis Gray, Ted Wilkes, Wenbin Liang, Robert Tait, Kim Cartwright
Project partners: NDARC, UNSW; South Australian Centre for Economic Studies; Australian National University
Funded by: AGDH



Research Activities

POSTGRADUATE PROGRAM

NDRI has an active PhD program and works to identify opportunities to fund more postgraduate students. PhD candidates are attracted through scholarships and through collaborative supervision with other schools and universities.

New PhD Projects

A multi-source investigation of issues arising from the implementation and evolution of a commercial, non-medical marijuana market in Colorado

PhD scholar: Todd Subritzky

PhD supervisors: Simon Lenton and Simone Pettigrew (Curtin School of Psychology)

Funded by: Australian Government Research Training Scheme

Harm to children from others' drinking

PhD scholar: Sushil Raj

PhD supervisors: Tanya Chikritzhs, Anne-Marie Laslett and Wenbin Liang

Funded by: Curtin University (ORD) scholarship

Population level strategies to reduce the negative effects of alcohol

PhD scholar: William Gilmore

PhD supervisors: Tanya Chikritzhs and Wenbin Liang

Funded by: Australian Government Research Training Scheme

New Masters Projects

Kadadjiny Dwank (listening, thinking and learning). Otitis Media from an urban Aboriginal perspective?

Masters scholar: Rosemary Walley

Masters supervisors: Steve Allsop, Peter Richmond and Deborah Lehmann

Funded by: Curtin University Faculty of Health Sciences scholarship

Ongoing PhD Projects

A critical study of 'recovery'

PhD scholar: Renae Fomiatti

PhD supervisors: David Moore and Suzanne Fraser

Funded by: NHMRC scholarship



Behavioural intention to provide screening, brief intervention and referral to treatment for alcohol-related visits in the Emergency Department: Implications of a guiding framework*

PhD scholar: Rashid Flewellen

PhD supervisors: Steve Allsop, Susan Carruthers, Tina Lam and Diane Egerton-Warburton (Adjunct)

Funded by: Australian Government Department of Health scholarship

Drug use at outdoor music festivals in two Australian cities: Policies and practices for reducing drug-related harms

PhD scholar: Jodie Grigg

PhD supervisor: Simon Lenton and Monica Barratt (Adjunct)

Funded by: Australian Government Department of Health scholarship

Hepatitis C and its treatment in Australian custodial settings*

PhD scholar: James Fetherston

PhD supervisors: Steve Allsop, Susan Carruthers, Tony Butler and David Wilson (Kirby Institute, UNSW)

Funded by: Australian Government Department of Health scholarship

Making moral subjects: Building moral lives through drinking

PhD scholar: James Wilson

PhD supervisors: David Moore, Grazyna Zajdow (Deakin University)

Funded by: APA Curtin University scholarship & ARC Discovery Project Grant

Research Activities

POSTGRADUATE PROGRAM (CONTINUED)

Pathways in and out of prison for young men with a history of injecting drugs

PhD scholar: Shelley Walker

PhD supervisor: Simon Lenton, Mandy Wilson, Peter Higgs (Adjunct) and Mark Stoove (Burnet Institute)

Funded by: APA Curtin University scholarship

The determinants of harm reduction in Thailand*

PhD scholar: Michael Cole

PhD supervisors: Steve Allsop and Susan Carruthers

Funded by: Australian Government Department of Health scholarship

The influence of social media on young people's alcohol consumption behaviours: A comparison of factors between Australia and India

PhD scholar: Himanshu Gupta

PhD supervisors: Robert Tait and Simone Pettigrew (Curtin University School of Psychology)

Funded by: Curtin University Faculty of Health Sciences International Research Scholarship

How do drug courts produce addiction in Australia? A Victorian case study

PhD scholar: Eliana Sarmiento Guerra

PhD supervisors: Suzanne Fraser, Kate Seear (Adjunct)

Funded by: Curtin University ORD Scholarship

How do marginalised young people who are in contact with AOD services understand their alcohol and other drug use and 'addiction'?

PhD scholar: Elizabeth Normand

PhD supervisors: Suzanne Fraser, Robyn Dwyer

Funded by: Curtin University ORD Scholarship

* *PhD thesis under examination as of 31 December 2016*

Ongoing Masters Projects

Strategic advocacy and drug policy: a case study of compulsory drug detention in China

Masters scholar: Judy Chang

Masters supervisors: Suzanne Fraser, Kiran Pienaar and Kate Seear (Adjunct)

Funded by: Australian Government Research Training Scheme

Completed PhD Projects

Assembling realities, assembling capacities: Young people and drug consumption in Australian drug education

PhD scholar: Adrian Farrugia

PhD supervisors: Suzanne Fraser, David Moore

Funded by: Australian Government Department of Health scholarship

Enacting heavy sessional drinking: A multi-sited ethnographic study of young adults' drinking events and related epidemiology, policy and treatment

PhD scholar: Aaron Hart

PhD supervisors: David Moore, Cameron Duff

Funded by: ARC Discovery Project Grant scholarship

Treatment for hepatitis C among injecting drug users in Perth metropolitan area

PhD scholar: Amineh Rashidi

PhD supervisors: Susan Carruthers, Linda Selvey (Curtin University School of Public Health)

Funded by: Self-funded

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Dissemination Overview

The National Drug Research Institute widely disseminates its research findings to increase awareness of drug related harm and effective prevention strategies, and to inform community debate and public health policy and practice. Research is disseminated through various means, including publications, presentations and the media, to policy makers, practitioners, public health professionals, other researchers, interest groups and the community. Further information can be found on NDRI's website at ndri.curtin.edu.au.

Publications

Research findings are published in refereed journals, reports and monographs, which are widely circulated throughout Australia and internationally. The publication of NDRI's research findings has played a significant role in research translating into policy and practice.

Presentations

Research findings are presented locally through the NDRI seminar series, and nationally and internationally through presentations at conferences, symposia, workshops, seminars and forums. NDRI also directly influences policy through frequent presentations and submissions to national and state policy bodies.

Newsletter

Drug and Alcohol Research Connections – or *Connections* – is an online newsletter published jointly by NDRI and its sister organisations, the National Drug and Alcohol Research Centre (NDARC) and the National Centre for Education and Training on Addiction (NCETA). *Connections* covers the latest on research and publications, news and events from the three centres, with a focus on the translation of research into policy and practice. *Connections* is online at www.connections.edu.au.

Website

Further information about NDRI's research is available through its website at ndri.curtin.edu.au.

Media

Traditional, online and social media are important conduits for NDRI's research to reach the community and inform policy.

NDRI has built a reputation as a reliable source of scientific information and expertise on a range of issues concerned with the prevention of alcohol- and drug-related harm.

NDRI received around 1200 mentions in the media during 2016, with the provision of expert comment and evidence based research further enhancing NDRI's efforts to disseminate its research findings widely and to inform and participate in alcohol and other drug policy development in Australia.

NDRI research and expert commentary appeared in local, national and international electronic and print media, including news and opinion websites, on a diverse range of subjects relating to alcohol and other drug use, reflecting the variety of expertise at the Institute. In addition, NDRI used its social media channels to disseminate research findings and media items, with the Institute achieving more than 1300 Twitter followers or Facebook likes. NDRI authors contributed seven articles to *The Conversation*, achieving around 492k reads and being republished 72 times.

Topics that generated the most media interest included moderate drinking and health benefits; the link between alcohol and prostate cancer; methamphetamine use, harms and treatment; 'study' drugs; take-home naloxone and overdose prevention; compulsory treatment and drug rehabilitation; new psychoactive substances; and alcohol and hangovers.



Dissemination Activities

PUBLICATIONS

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Conference Presentations

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- Allsop, S., Flewelling, R. and Tait, R.J. (2016) The Ice Age. Invited, Plenary presentation at the 41st ANZICS/ACCCN Intensive Care ASM and the 22nd Annual Paediatric and Neonatal Intensive Care Conference, Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre, Perth, WA, 20th-22nd October 2016.
- Cartwright, K. (2016) Supporting families impacted by methamphetamine use. Invited presentation at the 4th National Indigenous Drug & Alcohol Conference, Stamford Grand Hotel, Glenelg, SA, 11th-14th October 2016.
- Cole, M. (2016) 200 years of drug policy in Thailand. Presentation at the ISSDP conference, Sydney, NSW, 16th-18th May 2016.
- Dilkes-Frayne, E. (2016) How does place generate or disrupt alcohol and other drug consumption? Residential relocation in accounts of 'addiction'. Presented at the APSAD 2016 Conference, Sydney, NSW, 30th October-2nd November 2016.
- Fraser, S. (2016) Beyond disease: Responding to accounts of 'addiction'-related stigma and discrimination. Presented at the APSAD 2016 Conference, Sydney, NSW, 30th October-2nd November 2016.
- Gray, D. (2016) Developing a First Australian alcohol and other drugs workforce: and why the evidence is not enough. Keynote presentation at the 2016 NT Alcohol and Other Drugs Workforce Conference, Adina Vibe Hotel, Darwin, NT, 8th-9th June 2016.
- Gray, D. (2016) Presentation at the National Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Suicide Prevention conference, Alice Springs, NT, 4th-6th May 2016.
- Gray, D. (2016) Presentation at 4th National Indigenous Drug and Alcohol Conference, Glenelg, SA, 11th-14th October 2016.
- Lam, T. (2016) Sleep problems among risky drinking Australian adolescents. Invited presentation at the APSAD 2016 Conference, Sydney, NSW, 31st October 2016.
- Laslett, A.L. (2016) Child injury deaths linked with adult per capita consumption: a time series analysis of harm to children from others' drinking. Presented at the KBS 2016 42nd Annual Alcohol Epidemiology Symposium of the Kettil Bruun Society, Stockholm University, Stockholm, Sweden, 30th May-3rd June 2016.
- Laslett, A.L. (2016) Harms from others' drinking, in Australia and globally – intimate impacts and policy responses. Presented at the APSAD 2016 Conference, Sydney, NSW, 30th October-2nd November 2016.
- Lensvelt, E. (2016) National Alcohol Indicators Project - Bulletin 15. Trends in Estimated Alcohol-Attributable Assault Hospitalisations in Australia 2003/04 To 2012/13. Presented at the APSAD 2016 Conference, Sydney, NSW, 30th October-2nd November 2016.
- Lenton, S. (2016) Being a drug policy researcher – Why are we in the game and does that matter? Invited, keynote presentation at the 10th Annual Conference of the International Society for the Study of Drug Policy, Q Station, Sydney, 16th-18th May 2016.
- Lenton, S. (2016) Viagra® anyone? - Overcoming impotence in influencing drug policy reform. Invited, keynote presentation at the 10th Annual ISSDP Conference - Auckland Satellite, Auckland, New Zealand, 11th-12th May 2016.
- McKetin, R. (2016) Patterns of health service utilisation in a cohort of chronic methamphetamine users. Oral presentation and Predicting Abstinence from Methamphetamine Use after Residential Rehabilitation. Poster presentation at APSAD Conference, Sydney, NSW, 31st October-2nd November 2016.
- McKetin, R. (2016) Ice: the pharmacology, facts and fallacies. Invited speaker at the Pharmaceutical Society of Australia Conference (PSA16), Sydney, NSW, 29th-31st July 2016.
- Moore, D. (2016) Consumer accounts of 'addiction', health and well-being: Implications for policy and practice. Presented at the APSAD 2016 Conference, Sydney, NSW, 30th October-2nd November 2016.
- Nelson, M. (2016) Poster Presentation: Web survey of use of study drugs by WA tertiary students— First results. Presented at the APSAD Conference 2016, Sydney, NSW, 30th October-2nd November 2016.
- Pienaar, K. (2016) Telling stories, making selves: A critical analysis of 'addiction' biographies. Presented at the APSAD 2016 Conference, Sydney, NSW, 30th October-2nd November 2016.
- Roarty, L. (2016) Presentation at the National Indigenous Drug and Alcohol Conference, Glenelg, SA, 11-14 October 2016.
- Stearne, A. (2016) Presentation at the National Indigenous Drug and Alcohol Conference, Glenelg, SA, 11th-14th October 2016.
- Subritzky, T. (2016) Smoke and mirrors: issues relating to data collection and impact assessment in Colorado's recreational cannabis market. Invited presentation at the 10th Annual Conference of the International Society for the Study of Drug Policy, Q Station, Sydney, NSW, 16th-18th May 2016.
- Subritzky, T. (2016) Testing times: issues with potency and pesticides in Colorado's commercial recreational marijuana market. Invited presentation at the 10th Annual ISSDP Conference - Auckland Satellite, Auckland, New Zealand, 11th-12th May 2016.

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PRESENTATIONS (CONTINUED)

- Tait, R.J. (2016) An economic and health assessment of a brief intervention for adolescents with problematic substance use: 10 year outcomes. Presented at the International Network on Brief Interventions for Alcohol and other Drugs, Lausanne, Switzerland, 22nd-23rd September 2016.
- Tait, R.J. (2016) Caring for the carers: Supporting parents and partners of those with alcohol or other drug disorders. Presented at the APSAD 2016 Conference, Sydney, NSW, 30th October-2nd November 2016.
- Tait, R.J. (2016) Evaluation of Holyoake group programs for people presenting with alcohol and other drug use. Presented at the APSAD 2016 Conference, Sydney, NSW, 30th October-2nd November 2016.
- Tait, R.J. (2016) Methamphetamine use in Australia. Invited presentation at the Country Magistrates Conference, Perth Law Courts, 8th November 2016.
- Wilkes, E.T. and Gray, D. (2016) Alcohol and Other Drugs. Invited presentation at the National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation Ochre Day 2016, Mercure Hotel, Perth, WA, 15th-16th September 2016.
- Wilkes, E.T. and Gray, D. (2016) Suicide, harmful substance use and the social and cultural determinants. Presented at the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Suicide Prevention Conference, Alice Springs Convention Centre, 5th-6th May 2016.
- Wilkes, E.T. (2016) Keynote speaker at the National Indigenous Drug and Alcohol Conference, Glenelg, SA, 11th-14th October 2016.
- Wright, M (2016) Presentation at the Lowitja Institute International Indigenous Health and Wellbeing Conference, Melbourne, Vic, 8th-10th November 2016.
- Wright, M. (2016) Way Ahead - Leave no-one behind presentation on 'The Looking Forward Project', WACOSS Conference, Perth, WA, 5th May 2016.
- Lenton, S. (2016) Drug policy innovation: Local barriers and international developments. Invited presentation at the Australian Drug Summit – Exploring better approaches to addressing drug related harms in our communities, Parliament House, Canberra, ACT, 2nd March 2016.
- Pienaar, K. (2016) Telling stories, making selves: A critical analysis of 'addiction' biographies. Presented at the Social and Legal Studies of Addiction Symposium, Monash University Law Chambers, Melbourne, Vic, 7th October 2016.
- Sarmiento Guerra, E., Normand, E.R., Chang, J., Fomiatti, R., Pienaar, K., Dilkes-Frayne, E., Dwyer, R., Seear, K. and Fraser, S. (2016) Social and legal studies of addiction concepts: Second SSAC research symposium. Monash University Law Chambers, Melbourne, Vic, 7th October 2016.
- Stearne, A. (2016) Getting everything in place: importance of process evaluation. Invited presentation at the Symposium on Outcomes in Alcohol and other Drug Treatment, Rydges- South Bank Brisbane, South Brisbane, Qld, 12th April 2016.

Seminar Presentations

- Laslett, A.L. (2016) Alcohol in society: Greater understanding of alcohol's harm to others. Presented at the La Trobe University Public Health Seminar Series, La Trobe University, Bundoora, Vic, 16th March 2016.
- Wilson, M. (2016) Aboriginal women in WA prisons: The SCREAM project. Invited presentation at the Victorian Substance Use Research Forum (VSURF) August 2016, Turning Point, Melbourne, Vic, 26th August 2016.

Workshop Presentations

Symposium Presentations

- Allsop, S. (2016) Alcohol and other drug use - what's the picture? Invited presentation at the Mental Health Week Symposium, Banquet Hall, The UWA Club, Crawley, WA, 10th October 2016.
- Dilkes-Frayne, E. (2016) Producing continuity and change in drug consumption in the dynamic spaces of daily life. Presented at the Social and Legal Studies of Addiction Symposium, Monash University Law Chambers, Melbourne, Vic, 7th October 2016.
- Dwyer, R. (2016) Enacting addiction in screening and diagnostic tools. Presented at the SSAC and Monash University Law Faculty research symposium: Social and legal concepts of addiction, Monash University Law Chambers, Melbourne, 7th Oct 2016.
- Allsop, S., Kirby, G., Stone, J. and Wilkinson, C. (2016) Drug and Alcohol Treatment in WA. Presented at the Malaysian Delegation Technical & Academic Workshop, National Drug Research Institute, Shenton Park, WA, Australia, 17th February 2016.
- Allsop, S. (2016) Public Health Networks (PHN) Drug and Alcohol Activity Work Plan assessment workshop, Canberra, 12th May 2016.
- Gray, D. (2016) Participated in the QAIHC Social and Emotional Wellbeing Workshop, Gold Coast, 14th-16th June 2016.
- Laslett, A.L. (2016) Invited participant at the GENAHTO International Project workshop, Berlin, Germany, 12th-14th December 2016.
- Wilkes, E.T. (2016) Facilitated an ANACAD workshop on AOD issues in Aboriginal communities in Melbourne, Vic, 10th March 2016.

Meeting Presentations

- Allsop, S. (2016) 59th Session of UN Commission on narcotic Drugs in Vienna, attended as part of the Australian Government delegation, 12th-23rd March 2016.
- Allsop, S. (2016) Deputy Chair of the Australian National Advisory Council on Alcohol and Drugs meeting, Adelaide, 9th June 2016.
- Allsop, S. (2016) Deputy Chair of the Australian National Advisory Council on Alcohol and Drugs meeting, Alice Springs, 24th-25th October 2016.
- Allsop, S. (2016) Facilitated the community consultation for the new SA Alcohol and Other Drug Strategy, Adelaide, SA, 29th June 2016.
- Allsop, S. (2016) National Cannabis Prevention and Information Centre Executive Group meeting, Sydney, NSW, 18th August 2016.
- Allsop, S. (2016) National Local Government Drug and Alcohol Advisory committee meeting, Sydney, NSW, 30th June 2016.
- Allsop, S. (2016) Request from the Department of Health Drug Strategy Branch to provide technical support as an expert to the Australian delegation at the United Nations General Assembly Special Session on the World Drug Problem in New York, 19th-21st April 2016.
- Chikritzhs, T. (2016) Invited to co-chair international panel evaluation of the Swedish Government's Systembolaget, Stockholm, Sweden, 25th-27th May 2016.
- Chikritzhs, T. (2016) Invited to co-chair panel meetings on evaluation of the Swedish Government's Systembolaget, Stockholm, Sweden, 5th-8th December 2016.
- Chikritzhs, T. (2016) Invited to meetings with IOGT-NTO/Swedish Medical Society party and Systembolaget review panel members. Stockholm, Sweden, 22 – 26 August 2016.
- Gray, D. (2016) Invited to meet with the Board and staff of the Barkly Region Alcohol and Drug Abuse Advisory group to advise on program review, Tennant Creek, 23rd-24th November 2016.
- Gray, D. (2016) Invited to present at the ANACAD Meeting on the report 'review of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drugs Treatment Services Sector, Alice Springs, 24th-26th October 2016.
- Moore, D. (2016) Alcohol, violence and masculinities. Invited presentation at the VicHealth Alcohol Taskforce, VicHealth, Melbourne, 22nd November 2016.
- Wilkes, E.T. (2016) Principal Advisor on Indigenous Issues to the Australian National Advisory Council on Alcohol and Drugs meeting, Adelaide, 9th June 2016.

Wilkes, E.T. (2016) Principal Advisor on Indigenous Issues to the Australian National Advisory Council on Alcohol and Drugs meeting, Alice Springs, 24th-25th October 2016.

Wilkes, E.T. (2016) Invited by the Board of Carnarvon Aboriginal Medical Service (CMSAC) to meet with WA Primary Health Alliance (WAPHS) to discuss health service provision in Carnarvon. Carnarvon, WA, 12th-14th September 2016.

Forum Presentations

- Allsop, S. (2016) Drugs and Work: influences, challenges, responses. Invited presentation at the SafeOps Forum - Sustaining Health & Safety in the Downturn, Perth Convention & Exhibition Centre, Perth, 23rd June 2016.
- Allsop, S. (2016) Invited as an expert to the III WHO-UNODC Expert Consultation on New Psychoactive Substances (NPS), Geneva, Switzerland, 3rd-4th May 2016.
- Allsop, S. (2016) Invited to present at the Alcohol Research Forum, Canberra, ACT, 4th-5th August 2016.
- Allsop, S. (2016) Gambling. Invited presentation at the 2016 Lecture to Psych Trainees, Gascoyne House, Graylands Hospital, Mt Claremont, 26th October 2016.
- Allsop, S. (2016) Lecture on alcohol and public health. Invited presentation at the College of Public Health Sciences, Chulalongkorn University, Thailand, 27th January 2016.
- Laslett, A.L. (2016) Family violence and alcohol: where to here from here? Invited, plenary presentation at the La Trobe University Bold Thinking Series Event, National Gallery of Victoria, 19th May 2016.
- Wilkes, E.T. (2016) Invited participant to the National Forum on Family Matters: Kids safe in culture not in care, Canberra, ACT, 10th February 2016.
- Wilkes, E.T. (2016) Represented the Chair of ANACAD at the Parliamentary Drug Summit, Canberra, ACT, 2nd March 2016.

Dissemination Activities

NDRI SEMINAR SERIES

The National Drug Research Institute hosts regular events as part of its Seminar Series. These seminars serve several purposes. They provide NDRI staff with an avenue to disseminate research findings; they help build the presentation skills of early career researchers; and they provide a forum for NDRI staff and others in the alcohol and drug field to hear from visiting researchers.

11 February 2016

“It fits the needs of the community”:

**Long term evaluation of the Norseman
Voluntary Liquor Agreement**

NDRI Seminar Room, NDRI, Perth

Professor Richard Midford, Menzies School of
Health Research and NDRI Adjunct Professor

18 March 2016

**Unhealthy commodities and public health:
Policy implications of links across alcohol, tobacco
and ultra-processed food companies**

Telethon Kids Institute Seminar Room, Perth

Professor Jeff Collin, University of Edinburgh

6 April 2016

Accidental opioid overdose fatalities in WA, 2008-2012:

A case for more targeted intervention

NDRI Seminar Room, NDRI, Perth

Natalie Castalanelli, ECU Honours Student
and NDRI Bursary Recipient

4 August 2016

Having impact as a drug policy researcher –

Why are we in the game and does that matter?

NDRI Seminar Room, NDRI, Perth

Professor Simon Lenton, NDRI

13 October 2016

Methamphetamine and the mind

NDRI Seminar Room, NDRI, Perth

Associate Professor Rebecca McKetin, NDRI

5 December 2016

Aboriginal lung health: lung function and breathing better –

Are we doing enough?

NDRI Seminar Room, NDRI, Perth

Associate Professor Graham Hall, Telethon Kids Institute



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RESEARCH GRANTS AND FUNDING

NDRI Funding

	Funding source	Grant awarded 2016 \$	Grant received 2016 \$
Core Funding 2016	AGDH	2,560,242	2,560,242
University Infrastructure			
Operational Research Support (ORS) 2016	Curtin	50,505	50,505
ORD Institutes Support	Curtin	200,000	200,000
Strategic and Support Grants	Curtin	268,206	268,206
Infrastructure Support			
Medical & Health Research Infrastructure Funds	WAHD	73,713	73,713
		3,152,666	3,152,666

Project Funding

Project	Funding source	Total grant awarded all years \$	Grant received 2016 \$
Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal women perpetrators of violence (Beyond Violence)	NHMRC via UNSW	705,913	58,842
Climate schools combined (CSC) study	NHMRC via UNSW	215,701	36,453
Closing the gap in early childhood development	NHMRC via UWA	43,502	8,700
Ecstasy and related drugs reporting system (EDRS) - WA component	UNSW/AGDH	735,933	60,125
Effective health promotion with young risky drinkers	Healthway	314,951	52,261
Evaluation of Footsteps - road to recovery	ADAC	45,000	22,500
Experiences of addiction, treatment and recovery	ARC	499,999	159,975
Fighting, alcohol and offending: Interventions targeting Aboriginal girls	Healthway	381,665	48,944
Illicit drugs reporting system (IDRS)	UNSW/AGDH	902,064	60,125
Makin' Tracks evaluation	ADAC	21,500	21,500
Modelling public health and safety impacts	Healthway	273,808	124,000
Pub extended trading hours: effects on drunkenness and alcohol related harm	Healthway	148,880	33,597
Risk based licensing of alcohol	ARC via Deakin	82,331	31,119
The Forgotten Generation	NHMRC via Baker IDI	20,724	0
		4,391,971	718,141

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RESEARCH GRANTS AND FUNDING (CONTINUED)

Fellowships and Strategic Grants

	Funding source	Total grant awarded all years \$	Grant received 2016 \$
Analysing and comparing concepts of addiction - Future Fellowship	ARC	778,268	92,931
Cannabis and tobacco use among Western Australians	Healthway	169,243	68,138
Development of interventions for methamphetamine use - SRF	Curtin	608,701	155,100
Harm to children from others' drinking - ECR	NHMRC	324,436	83,443
Indigenous Australian research	Curtin	521,132	136,881
Injecting and older drug users	Curtin	403,686	2,737
Internet interventions for AOD related problems	Curtin	600,131	168,828
Substance use, mental disorders and young people - ECR	Curtin	535,558	140,561
		3,941,156	848,619

Other Income

	Total grant awarded 2016 \$	Grant received 2016 \$
NDRI external consultancy research	15,847	15,847
Resource materials	809	809
	16,656	16,656

Summary of NDRI Research Grants and Funding Received in 2016

Area of funding	Grant received 2016 \$
Core Funding (AGDH)	2,560,242
University Infrastructure	518,711
Other Infrastructure	73,713
Fellowships and Strategic Grants	848,619
Project Grants	718,141
Other	16,656
Total funding received in 2016	4,736,082

Appendix

LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

ADAC (SA)	Aboriginal Drug and Alcohol Council (South Australia)
AGDH	Australian Government Department of Health
AIC	Australian Institute of Criminology
ANPHA	Australian National Preventative Health Agency
ANU	Australian National University
ARC	Australian Research Council
CAAC	Central Australian Aboriginal Congress
DAS SA	Drug and Alcohol Services, SA
ECU	Edith Cowan University
FaHCSIA	Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs, NT
FARE	Foundation for Alcohol Research and Education
Healthway	Western Australian Health Promotion Foundation
MHC	Mental Health Commission (Western Australia)
NCETA	National Centre for Education and Training on Addiction
NCPIC	National Cannabis Prevention and Information Centre
NDARC	National Drug and Alcohol Research Centre, UNSW
NDLERF	National Drug Law Enforcement Research Fund
NDRI	National Drug Research Institute
NHMRC	National Health and Medical Research Council
NIH	National Institutes of Health (USA)
SHAHRP	School Health and Alcohol Harm Reduction Project
SoRAD	Centre for Social Research on Alcohol and Drugs at Stockholm University
Turning Point	Turning Point Drug and Alcohol Centre, Inc
UNSW	University of New South Wales
UWA	University of Western Australia
WAHD	Western Australian Health Department
WANADA	Western Australian Network Alcohol and Drug Agencies
WHO	World Health Organization



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