

## BULLETIN NO 18: THE DPMP TEAM



### **Associate Professor Alison Ritter**

Turning Point Alcohol and Drug Centre

Qualifications:

PhD, MA (Clin Psych), BA (Hons), MAPS

Biography:

Associate Professor Alison Ritter is a Senior Research Fellow at Turning Point, and a Principal Fellow at the University of Melbourne. Assoc Prof Ritter has worked in the alcohol and drug field for 16 years, commencing as a Clinical Psychologist, providing individual and group psychotherapy to people with addictive disorders and other mental health problems. Prior to moving to a full-time research position, Assoc Prof Ritter was involved in the redevelopment of Victorian alcohol and drug treatment services, and spent some time in the Department of Health in a senior policy position. She is involved in providing high-level policy advice to both Victorian and Commonwealth government, and sits on a number of advisory bodies and steering committees.

As Head of Research at Turning Point, Assoc Prof Ritter was responsible for epidemiological, drug trends monitoring, forensic, clinical and evaluation research. Her own expertise is in clinical research. Assoc Prof Ritter has extensive experience in research methodology, trial design, data collection, data analysis and publication of results.

Assoc Prof Ritter reviews for a number of international addictions journals, such as *Addiction*, *International Journal of Drug Policy* and *Drug and Alcohol Review*, and is on the Editorial Board for *Drug and Alcohol Review*. She is a reviewer for NHMRC and other grant funding bodies such as AERF. Assoc Prof Ritter is a member of the APS (Board of Clinical Psychologists), and ADCA and the Vice President of APSAD. As an addictions expert and scientist, Assoc Prof Ritter is called upon to provide media commentary, high level policy advice and is invited to present at national and international conventions and forums.



### **Dr Gabriele Bammer**

National Centre for Epidemiology and Population Health, ANU

Qualifications:

BSc BA (Flin), PhD (Syd)

Biography:

Dr Gabriele Bammer is a Senior Fellow at the National Centre for Epidemiology and Population Health at the Australian National University and a Research Fellow at the Hauser Center for Nonprofit Organizations at Harvard University. Her main interest is effective ways of bringing different disciplinary and practice perspectives together to tackle major social issues. She is seeking to develop more formal processes for doing this by establishing a new specialisation - Integration and Implementation Sciences. She has more than 80 peer-reviewed publications. In 2001 she was the only Australian representative on the inaugural Fulbright New Century Scholars Program, which targets "outstanding research scholars and professionals".

Dr Bammer's research interests include Integration and Implementation Sciences – Developing the theory and methods for a new specialisation; Public health projects using Integration and Implementation Sciences; Improving treatment for illicit drugs, with particular interest in short-acting opioids, such as diamorphine (prescription heroin). She also conducted an extensive program of research on diamorphine prescription from 1991-1997, and implemented a 20 year follow-up study of ANU employees' occupational health, especially work-related neck and upper limb disorders.



### **Associate Professor Lorraine Green Mazerolle**

School of Criminology and Criminal Justice, Griffith University

Qualifications:

BA(Hons), MA, PhD, Rutgers University

Biography:

Lorraine Mazerolle is an Associate Professor in the School of Criminology and Criminal Justice at Griffith University. She received her Ph.D. from Rutgers University, New Jersey in 1993 and spent an additional seven years as an academic in the USA (at Northeastern University and the University of Cincinnati). She is the recipient of numerous US and Australian research grants on topics such as problem-oriented policing, police technologies (e.g. crime mapping, gunshot detection systems, 3-1-1 call systems), community crime control, civil remedies, street-level drug

enforcement and policing public housing sites. In 2003, Associate Professor Mazerolle was admitted as a member to the Academy of Experimental Criminologists and now serves as the Vice President of the Academy. She also serves on the Board of Studies for the Australian Institute for Police Management, on the Capital Cities Lord Mayors Drug Advisory Board and as an Associate Editor of the Journal of Experimental Criminology. Associate Professor Mazerolle is the author of *Policing Places with Drug Problems* (Sage Publications) and a co-editor, with Jan Roehl, of *Civil Remedies and Crime Prevention* (Criminal Justice Press). She has written many scholarly articles on policing, drug law enforcement, displacement of crime, and crime prevention.



### **Professor Margaret Hamilton**

Chair, Multiple and Complex Needs Panel

School of Population Health, University of Melbourne

Qualifications:

M.S.W. (Univ. of Mich); B.A., Dip. Soc. Studs (Melb)

#### Biography:

Professor Hamilton has spent thirty five years in the drug and alcohol sector, working in education, research and clinical services. With a background in public health and social work, she began her career at St Vincent's Hospital, working in the 'Special Clinic' (Alcoholism Clinic) and in 1973, published her first research report. From there, Professor Hamilton has published on a number of drug-related research topics including epidemiology, policy, evaluation (prevention & treatment), young people & drugs, women & alcohol, alcohol problems in remote Australia; evaluation of TC's and self-help. She is also one of the authors of a book, *Drug Use in Australia: Preventing Harm.*, now in its second edition.

For over seven years, Professor Hamilton has contributed to many committees at an executive level, including Chair of Human Research Ethics Committees (University of Melbourne Social and Behavioural Science; Royal Women's Hospital); Editorial Committee Drug & Alcohol Review; Reviewer of International Alcohol/Drug Research Centres in Ireland and New Zealand; NH&MRC National Illicit Drug Strategy Working Committee and Panel member (Public Health).

Professor Hamilton is currently serving a third term as an Executive member of the Australian National Council on Drugs and in this capacity is also Chair National Illicit Drug Campaign Reference Group; Chair Project Reference Group (responsible for commissioning research) and Chair of the Editorial Reference Group for 'Of Substance'.

Other appointments include Member of the Victorian Premier's Drug Prevention Council. Chair – Council of Capital City Lord Mayors Drug Advisory Group; Foundation Board member Youth Substance Abuse Service and Deputy Chair of the Executive Committee of the Cancer Council Victoria.



### **Associate Professor Paul Dietze**

Turning Point Alcohol and Drug Centre & Monash Institute of Health  
Services Research

Qualifications:

PhD (Sci - Monash), BSc(Hons - Monash), Registered psychologist

#### Biography:

Paul Dietze has achieved a strong profile in research related to the epidemiology of alcohol and other drugs. He has worked in this field for 8 years during which time he has established surveillance systems as well as conducted specific research projects that break new ground in the epidemiology of heroin overdose in particular. He has been involved in numerous reference groups and given numerous public presentations, lectures and seminars around alcohol and other drug use and related harms. He has also supervised a range of students from honours to PhD levels.

Paul has been involved in the development and implementation of a variety of heroin overdose prevention initiatives including the Direct Response to Overdose (DROP) project. He currently co-convenes the Victorian Injecting Drug Harm Reduction Network with the Public Health Division of the Victorian Department of Human Services through which research findings on injecting drug use are disseminated to the alcohol and drug field. These activities culminated in Paul being awarded a Victoria Fellowship in 1999 to conduct a study tour of heroin overdose prevention initiatives in Europe. In 2001 Paul was appointed to the Board of Trustees of the Lionel Murphy Foundation and he was awarded a VicHealth Public Health Research Fellowship.

Dr Dietze has a strong history of collaboration with other relevant researchers in Australia and overseas. He is also a reviewer of articles submitted for publication in *Addiction*, the *Australian and New Zealand Journal of Public Health*, the *Journal of Urban Health*, the *Journal of Epidemiology and Community Health*, *Youth Studies Australia*, *Drug and Alcohol Dependence*, *Drug and Alcohol Review*, the *Australian Journal of Psychology and Law and Human Behaviour* as well as grant applications submitted to the NH&MRC and Healthway. He has also made numerous radio and TV appearances.

Dr Dietze has received numerous awards including Lionel Murphy Postgraduate Scholarship (1991), Monash Graduate Scholarship (1992-1993), Victoria Fellowship (1999), and

VicHealth Public Health Research Fellowship (2000-2005), Premier's Drug Prevention Travelling Scholarship (2004).



**Professor Jonathan P. Caulkins**

Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh

Qualifications:

B.S., M.S., (Systems Science - Washington University), S.M. (Electrical Engineering and Computer Science - MIT), Ph.D., (Operations Research - MIT)

Biography:

Jon Caulkins is Professor of Operations Research and Public Policy at Carnegie Mellon University's Heinz School of Public Policy. Dr. Caulkins specializes in mathematical modeling and systems analysis of social policy problems with a particular focus on issues pertaining to drugs, crime, violence, and prevention – work that won the David Kershaw Award from the Association of Public Policy Analysis and Management.

Other interests include optimal control, software quality, airline operations, and personnel performance evaluation. Dr. Caulkins has published a number of monographs through RAND and over 60 journal articles in *Operations Research*, *Management Science*, *JASA*, *JPAM*, *The American Journal of Public Health*, *Mathematical Biosciences*, *The Journal of Urban Economics*, *The Journal of Environmental Economics and Management*, *The Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control*, and the *Journal of Optimization Theory and Applications*, among other outlets. At RAND he has been a consultant, visiting scientist, co-director of RAND's Drug Policy Research Center (1994 – 1996), and founding director of RAND's Pittsburgh office (1999-2001).



**Mr Tim Moore**

Turning Point Alcohol and Drug Centre

Qualifications:

BComm(Hons) BSc Melbourne, MEc(Hons) Monash

Biography:

Tim Moore is a Senior Research Fellow at Turning Point. Since joining the Drug Policy Modelling Project, Tim has been responsible for applying economic evaluation techniques to

compare different drug policy options, estimating the size of drug markets and the social costs associated with them, and developing new price and other economic data.

Prior to joining Turning Point, Tim was a Consultant for ACIL Tasman, one of Australia's largest specialist economic consulting firms. He completed a wide variety of assignments for government and private clients, including three reports for the Commonwealth Department of Health and Aged Care as part of their *Inquiry into Residential Aged Care Pricing* (also known as *The Hogan Inquiry*). He also he completed projects dealing with policy issues in gambling, manufacturing, infrastructure development, mining and retail trading.

Tim completed a research-based Master of Economics on Bendigo Bank's Community Bank model prior to starting with ACIL Tasman. His findings have been disseminated through the *Australian Financial Review* and *ABC Radio*, and he appeared before the inquiry into regional banking services in Australia being conducted by the *Commonwealth Parliament's Joint Committee on Corporations and Financial Services*. Tim has tutored economics at both Monash University and the University of Melbourne and before postgraduate studies was the Employee Relations Manager at one of the printing operations of PMP Limited.

Tim is a Senior Fellow in the Department of Economics at the University of Melbourne, and a member of Australian Economics Society and the Australian Health Economics Society. He is also the founder and program director of *Window on Economics*, an initiative that works with the Australian Councils of Social Service to provide advocates in the not-for-profit sector with access to specialist economics advice.



### **Dr Pascal Perez**

Research School of Pacific & Asian Studies, ANU

Qualifications: Diplôme d'Agronomie Approfondie; Diplôme d'Agronomie Tropicale; PhD (Advanced Agronomy); Ecole Nationale Supérieure Agronomique of Montpellier, France

#### Biography:

Dr Perez is presently developing an international research network called "Human Ecosystems Modelling with Agents (HEMA)". Multi-Agent System approaches are used to implement companion modelling with local communities in the Asia-Pacific region. Field research is used to nurture a postgraduate course based on these innovative methodologies.

Dr Perez's research interests include water management, cropping systems and evaluation of irrigation efficiency, crop water balance modelling, and simulation of

social/environmental interactions through a Multi Agent Systems approach. He has worked extensively in Western Africa, Middle East, South East Asia (Indonesia, Thailand). His published papers have appeared in Environmental Modelling & Software, Agronomie, and Agri, Ecos & Env



### **Professor Gerald Midgley**

Institute of Environmental Science and Research, New Zealand

Qualifications:

BA(Hons), MPhil, PhD

Biography:

Dr Gerald Midgley is a Science Leader at the Institute of Environmental Science and Research (ESR), and Adjunct Professor in the School of Management at Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand. Prior to these appointments, he was Director of the Centre for Systems Studies, Business School, University of Hull, UK. He has had over 190 papers published in international journals, edited books and practitioner magazines, and has written or edited 8 books, including *Systemic Intervention: Philosophy, Methodology, and Practice* (Kluwer, 2000); *Systems Thinking, Volumes I-IV* (Sage, 2003) and *Community Operational Research: OR and Systems Thinking for Community Development* (Kluwer, 2004).



### **Dr Wendy Gregory**

Institute of Environmental Science and Research, New Zealand

Qualifications:

BSc(Hons), PhD, City University, London

Biography:

Wendy Gregory is a senior adviser, systems research. Dr Gregory joined the Institute for Environmental Science and Research in November 2004 following 14 years at the University of Hull, UK, where her most recent role was Research Director for the Business School. She has been involved in multi-agency research for more than 18 years, and is a systems practitioner who uses participative and holistic approaches. Wendy's research with organisations draws on the strengths of both qualitative and quantitative methods to help participants develop their own solutions. Her research interests include: Systems methodologies and reflective practice;

Institutional barriers to and drivers for participation; Integrated, systemic and inclusive decision-making; Multi-disciplinary teams and virtual teams; and Action Learning.



### **Professor Peter Reuter**

Professor, School of Public Policy; Professor, Department of Criminology,  
University of Maryland

#### Qualifications:

B.A. (Hons), University of New South Wales, Ph.D. (Eco), Yale, M. Phil.  
(Eco), Yale

#### Biography:

Peter Reuter is Professor in the School of Public Policy and the Department of Criminology at the University of Maryland. He served as editor of the *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management* from 1999-2004. He founded and directed RAND's Drug Policy Research Center from 1989-1993. His early research focused on the organization of illegal markets and resulted in the publication of *Disorganized Crime: The Economics of the Visible Hand* (MIT Press, 1983), which won the Leslie Wilkins award as most outstanding book of the year in criminology and criminal justice. In 2001 he co-authored (with Robert MacCoun) *Drug War Heresies: Learning from Other Places, Times and Vices* (Cambridge University Press). Recently he co-authored (with Edwin Truman) *Chasing Dirty Money: The Fight Against Money Laundering*. He is director of the University's program on the Economics of Crime and Justice Policy. Dr. Reuter received his PhD in Economics from Yale.