

## Using an intergenerational lens when working with children and parents



**Danielle Abbott**

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Family by Family**

Danielle is a Social Innovator and the Quality and Practice Lead at Family by Family - an Australian innovation that is transforming the lives of families. From a reduction in child protection notifications and social isolation, to improved parenting, education and employment outcomes, the program demonstrates a powerful approach to building social capital, and lasting change for families.

Danielle has worked on the project for the past ten years and has overseen the program's growth from a small community solution in one community to five sites across South Australia and one site in the UK. Through Family by Family, Danielle was also involved in a design of the Australian Centre for Social Innovation (TACSI) that aims to address the number of families coming into contact with crisis services.

The Family by Family program has received several notable awards across the years including:

- Gold in the GOV design awards, Driven X Design 2016
- Good Design Award; Social Impact 2013
- Good Design Award, best in class Social Impact



**David Tully**

**Practice Manager at  
Family Violence at  
Relationship  
Australia SA**

David is currently the Practice Manager for Family Violence at Relationships Australia SA. The role looks at the overall organisation approach and practises of violence around service delivery, training, and skill development.

David has worked in the area of domestic violence and childhood sexual assault for over twenty-five years as both Practitioner and Service Manager. He has also worked as Service Manager for Torture and Trauma Counselling for people with Refugee experiences. David has also developed trauma-counselling models for young people experiencing homelessness who have been subjected to sexual violence.

In addition to this, David has been on the research advisory panel for the Australian Centre for the Study of Sexual Assault and has also worked as a peer assessor for ANROWS (Australia's National Research Organisation for Women's Safety).

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**Ann**  
**Child & Family  
Partner**

Ann is married with five adult children, one of whom has a disability.

I am a lived experience person having been diagnosed with PTSD, BPD, and anxiety disorder.

I grew up in a household experiencing domestic violence and I suffered physical, sexual, and emotional abuse for many years. I have witnessed some of my children develop mental health issues and have had to navigate the mental health system for them and myself. I believe that there is a lot lacking in the mental health system and that we need to advocate for change.

I have worked as a lived experience person for FaPMI, Eastern health and was on the lived experience forum for COPMI. I have done webinars and talks on lived experience and how mental health becomes intergenerational. I feel I have a lot to offer the mental health sector.

Chris currently works with Emerging Minds and the National Workforce Centre for Child Mental Health, as well as a clinician with Country Health South Australia, providing therapeutic consultations via video link to people living in rural and remote South Australia.

Previously, Chris has worked as a counsellor, supervisor and manager in a family and relationships counselling service with Uniting Communities with a particular focus around responding to family violence and the effects of childhood sexual abuse.



**Facilitator: Chris  
Dolman**

**Senior Workforce  
Development Officer  
at Emerging Minds**

Chris Dolman is a Social Worker who has been working for the past eighteen years with individuals, couples and families facing a broad range of concerns in their lives and relationships.