

## Supporting children who have disclosed trauma



**David Tully**  
Practice Manager, SA

David is currently the Practice Manager for Family Violence at Relationships Australia SA. This role looks at

the overall organisation approach and practices of violence around service delivery, training and skill development. David has worked in the area of domestic violence and childhood sexual assault for over 25 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).



**Clare Klapdor**  
Social Worker, SA

Clare Klapdor is a Social Worker and currently the Manager, Counselling Services at Flinders University in

Adelaide. Clare spent over a decade working in NSW child protection related roles, including Caseworker with the Department of Communities and Justice, then Counsellor, Clinical Leader and Child Wellbeing Coordinator with Murrumbidgee Local Health District.

During this time Clare developed a joy for supervision of staff and students, which led her to leadership positions. Clare has worked as a clinical leader and manager in Family Dispute Resolution Services, Family and Relationship Counselling, Family Law Counselling, Child Sexual Abuse Counselling, and Parenting Education at NGOs in NSW and SA.

Clare relocated to Adelaide in 2019 and is pursuing advanced practice qualifications in Family Therapy.

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**Kate Headley**  
Speech Pathologist,  
NSW

Successful communication is key to our quality of life. It is a means through which we connect with others, understand our experiences and express our thinking. Across my career I have had a passion for assisting people to be heard.

This always involves working with the person with communication support needs and with their communication partners across their everyday activities and environments. As service providers working with children with disability, we become a communication partner. This may require us to modify our own communication style, learn new communication skills and think about different ways to create shared meaning.

I am looking forward to sharing and collaborating on ideas for how we can support children's communication in order to maximise their participation in therapeutic relationships.



**Facilitator:**  
**Chris Dolman**  
Emerging Minds, SA

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.

Chris currently works with Emerging Minds and the National Workforce Centre for Child Mental Health, as well as a narrative therapist with Country Health SA, providing 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.