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Director's Report

It has been a very exciting few months at the McCaughey Centre, with staff and students involved in numerous major conferences and events, many important publications and some very significant project milestones.

The international conference on the Promotion of Mental Health, From Margins to Mainstream, held in Melbourne in September and auspiced by VicHealth, involved considerable input from the McCaughey Centre. Centre staff were involved in 14 presentations and sessions, either as presenters or organisers. The McCaughey Centre also hosted conference guest, Mr Karma Tshiteem, Secretary of the Gross National Happiness Commission of Bhutan. A particular highlight of Mr Tshiteem's visit was the public lecture organised by the McCaughey Centre, in which Mr Tshiteem spoke about Bhutan's work in developing new ways of measuring and improving the health and wellbeing of the Bhutanese people.

Another event which provided an excellent example of the McCaughey Centre's commitment to collaborative research and knowledge translation strategies was the August 26 seminar: 'What research means to us: A forum to learn from community partners in research'. The forum was followed by the launch of the McCaughey Centre Signpost report: 'Universities working with and for communities: Strategies for collaborative community research and knowledge exchange'. Many thanks to Sarah Mclean, Priscilla Pryet and Deborah Warr for their work in leading this initiative.

My congratulations also to Liz Waters and her team on their recent award of the Sir Jack Brockhoff Centenary Gift, leading to the establishment of the Jack Brockhoff Child Health and Wellbeing Program. This will enable the further expansion of a rapidly growing McCaughey Centre program of research and knowledge translation focussing on improving the health and wellbeing of children and young people.

Three valued staff, Xiaogang Chen, Kathleen Brasher and Grace Ferguson-Thorne, have left the Centre for other positions over the last few months. Over the same period we have also been fortunate to be joined by a number of new staff including Bella Blaher, Lara Williamson and Johanna Mithen.

McCaughey Centre staff, students and collaborating partners continue to achieve outstanding outcomes across the range of Centre goals and activities – and to make a valuable and significant difference to the diverse communities they are working with and for.

Professor John Wiseman,

Director,
The McCaughey Centre: VicHealth Centre for the Promotion of Mental Health
and Community Wellbeing

McCaughey Centre Project Highlights

Freedom from Violence



Safe for Life: Submission to the National Plan of Action to Reduce Violence Against Women and Children

The Salvation Army approached Marion Frere to work with them on the development of a major submission to the National Plan of Action to Reduce Violence Against Women and Children.

Four principles underpin the submission: 1) prevention of violence is a protection of human rights; 2) questions of gender roles and inequalities must continue to be addressed if we are to prevent violence against women and children; 3) violence impedes social inclusion, and; 4) sustained success requires a whole-of-society response. The submission is available on the McCaughey Centre website [here](#).

The Crisis Advocacy Response Service (CARS)

Marion Frere, along with colleagues Stuart Ross, Lucy Healey, Cathy Humphreys and Kristin Diemer, has now completed a project exploring the establishment and early indicators of effectiveness of the Northern Crisis Advocacy Response Service (CARS). CARS was established as a pilot in the Northern Metropolitan Region of Melbourne to provide a 24 hour face-to-face crisis response to women and children experiencing family violence. Importantly, CARS developed in the context of state wide reform in Victoria and the implementation of the Integrated Family Violence System (IFVS). It provides an innovative example of collaboration across agencies that builds on and extends the local and sub-regional IFVS service delivery mechanisms. The findings are amongst the first indications in Victoria of the impact of the reform on outcomes for women and children. A copy of the report is available on the McCaughey Centre [website](#).

SAFER: Victorian Family Violence Reform Research Program

Joanie Smith has joined the team as the project Australian Postgraduate Award (Industry) [APA(I)] PhD candidate. Joanie will be jointly supervised by Monash University and the University of Melbourne. The focus of Joanie's thesis will be exploring the perception, accountability and responsibility amongst men who use intimate partner violence. Joanie intends to ask how the system can hold men accountable and what interventions men and their partners identify as having had an impact on the cessation and or escalation of intimate partner violence. Joanie also submitted a poster to the Monash

Celebration of Research month and won the prize for Outstanding Contribution.

Freedom from Discrimination

A Framework to Address Ethnic and Race Based Discrimination

The aims of this project are to support the development of evidence-informed policy, programmes and practice and to assist in the identification of priorities for future anti-racism work by the partners and other non-government and government actors concerned about racism.

Researchers have conducted a comprehensive review of the existing literature on interventions designed to combat racism, and are in the process of developing a framework that highlights successful or promising interventions in various settings and sectors. They also intend to secure stakeholder buy-in to ensure the framework is widely disseminated across settings and sectors.

Building Bridges Scheme Evaluation

Building Bridges is a new VicHealth grants scheme that aims to improve mental health and wellbeing by promoting positive contact and cooperation between people from migrant and refugee backgrounds and others in the community.

Grants of up to \$20,000 have been provided to support initiatives that bring migrant and refugee groups affected by discrimination and social exclusion together to work on cooperative activities with members of the wider community.

The Economic Cost of Racism in Australia

There is increasing recognition that ethnoracial discrimination (racism) has serious health, social and economic consequences. While the cost of social problems such as domestic violence, obesity and depression have been measured, there exists no modelling quantifying the economic cost of racism to society as a whole. Given the Federal Government's focus on enhancing productivity, economic growth and lifting workforce participation, this proposed research will help build an economic case for combating racism.

This project is a collaborative undertaking of the Centre together with researchers from Onemda, CHPPE and the Faculty of Economics and Commerce. A scoping of this project successfully secured financial support from the University's Social Justice Initiative.

Social Inclusion and Connectedness

Community Needs in the Outer North

This project, being implemented by Dr Belinda Robson and funded by the Salvation Army, now has a completed draft report which is currently with the Reference Group members. The research incorporates the findings from consultations with over 100 service providers and residents and considers the ways 12-17 year olds and their parents experience their local area. The findings will inform policy debates on growth areas and service planning for young people. In November, community forums will be held to seek feedback from residents and community stakeholders. The final report will be made available in the coming month or so.

Evaluation of UCan2

UCan2 is a multi-agency initiative of Foundation House for the Survivors of Torture and involves program changes in language classes for new arrival refugee adolescents to incorporate education, peer support, psychosocial support and employment opportunities. Evaluation of the UCan2 program is a new project to be led by Dr Lisa Gibbs and involving Dr Deb Warr, Karen Block and Elisha Riggs. Specialist support will also be provided by Dr Dean Lusher (social network analysis) and Lisa Gold (health economics). The evaluation will explore the social connections, individual outcomes, organisational partnerships and program changes arising from UCan2. It will assess the effectiveness of a comprehensive approach (the UCan2 program) in facilitating integrated and timely social connections and support during the critical transition period following resettlement in Australia. The evaluation will also contribute to improved understanding of the influence of contextual factors on processes of resettlement, and the opportunities and barriers that are presented to young people from refugee and migrant backgrounds in mobilising and consolidating social, educational and employment opportunities. Specifically, the evaluation will assess the experience, impact, effectiveness and cost effectiveness of UCan2 for both individual and organisational stakeholders. The evaluation will use a multi-level approach to capture impacts and processes at individual and organisational levels.

Economic Participation and Security

Sexual Harassment and casual workers

According to research recently conducted by Associate Professor Tony LaMontagne of the McCaughey Centre, women in casual or contract jobs are up to ten times more likely to experience unwanted sexual advances in the workplace than those in more secure, full time positions. The study attracted significant interest, and was featured in a range of print and radio media (references can be found [here](#)).

Associate Professor LaMontagne presented the findings at the recent From Margins to Mainstream conference (see events for more information). He found that 79 per cent of those who experience unwanted sexual advances at work are women, with casual employees about five times more likely and contract employees ten times more likely to experience sexual harassment. This research provides important new evidence in the debate about precarious employment, adding to evidence of the poorer mental and physical health found amongst casual and temporary workers.

Conference presentations

Associate Professor Tony LaMontagne has delivered a series of invited regional, national, and international presentations on his research in recent months. For details, please see the 'Presentations' section of this newsletter.

Healthy and Sustainable Environments

The value of community engagement in supporting Victoria's response to climate change

This project was undertaken for the Department of Planning and Community Development by John Wiseman, Jess Fritze and Lara Williamson of the McCaughey Centre, with support from Sue Hendy and team at the Council on the Ageing (Victoria) (COTA) and Carolyn Atkins and David Imber at the Victorian Council of Social Service (VCOSS). Researchers aimed to contribute to understanding of the relative value of partnering with communities in the design, promotion and implementation of climate change mitigation, adaptation and structural adjustment responses (compared with or in addition to public education and information provision) in terms of: cost; effectiveness of outcome; efficiency; and additional community benefits.

Along with collaborating organisations VCOSS and COTA, researchers carried out roundtable discussions with members of the community with an interest or involvement in climate change and community engagement. The project also included a literature review and a series of five case studies.

Policy Signpost #3

Our third Policy Signpost, *Climate Change Adaptation: A Framework for Local Action* by Rosie Rowe and Anita Thomas, has now been published. This Signpost was developed in response to a request from agencies to support local planning for climate change, and establishes a framework to address the priority issues.

The report is available [online](#), or please contact [Amy McKernan](#) if you would like to receive a hard copy.

Hope, despair and transformation

Professor John Wiseman and Jess Fritze of the McCaughey Centre, along with Grant Blashki and Suzie Burke, have recently published their article *Hope, despair and transformation: Climate change and the promotion of mental health and wellbeing*. The full reference can be found under the publications section of this newsletter, and the article is available [here](#).

Child Health and Wellbeing



The Jack Brockhoff Child Health and Wellbeing Program



The McCaughey Centre would like to congratulate Elizabeth Waters and team members (theme leaders, Lisa Gibbs, Rebecca Armstrong, Elise Davis and Andrea Sanigorski), who have recently been awarded the Sir Jack Brockhoff Centenary Gift. This grant will enable the establishment of the *Jack Brockhoff Child Health and Wellbeing Program*, a program of research and community initiatives aimed at improving the health and wellbeing of children. The program will identify and address key themes of child health equality, disease prevention and health promotion, mental health promotion, and child health evidence and knowledge translation. Building on the team's previous and current work in the area, it will have a strong emphasis on community engagement in both rural and urban settings, and will provide evidence to support changes in policy and procedure related to children's health.

An event was held to celebrate the Program at St Matthew's Primary School in Fawkner, one of the schools involved in the *fun n healthy in Moreland!* project. Representatives of the McCaughey Centre, the Jack Brockhoff Foundation, and the University of Melbourne joined St Matthew's students and staff in a celebration of healthy eating and living. The St Matthew's students put on a fantastic show, with African drumming, skipping and cartwheeling, and songs and performances about healthy eating. We'd like to thank the students, teachers and staff at St Matthew's School for making the launch such a memorable event, and for allowing us into their wonderful school for the day.



Images:

Top left (L-R): Mr Maurice Cilia, Principal, St Matthew's Primary School, Mr John Brockhoff, nephew of Sir John Brockhoff, Dr James Guest AM OBE VRD, Director, the Jack Brockhoff Foundation, Professor John Royle, Director, the Jack Brockhoff Foundation, Professor Elizabeth Waters, Head, the Child Health and Wellbeing Program, the University of Melbourne, Mr Robert Symons, Chairman, the Jack Brockhoff Foundation, Professor Robin Marks, Director, the Jack Brockhoff Foundation with children of St Matthew's Primary School.

Middle right: Students of St Matthew's performing 'Stir it up'.

Bottom right: Elizabeth Waters demonstrates her African drumming expertise to some of the St Matthew's children.

Splash!

This newly funded collaborative research project is to be undertaken by Dr Andrea Sanigorski, Professor Elizabeth Waters, Professor Anthony Scott, Mr Mark Gussy, Ms Lisa Gold and Adj Professor Hanny Calache. The project will add significantly to knowledge about the role of water in health, by exploring the social and health inequalities related to changes in drinking water in rural Victoria. It has been funded as an ARC Linkage Study in partnership with Dental Health Services Victoria for \$1.7 million.

Dental decay experience over an individual's lifetime is influenced by dental health in early childhood. Obesity and overweight in early childhood are also predictors of later life obesity. Both these conditions reduce life chances and wellbeing for Australians and are costly to communities. Understanding how and why choices about drinks for children are made by parents using a longitudinal design will help to develop interventions and policies that support the use of water in preference to sweetened and acidic beverages. Splash! will begin in 2009.

VicGeneration08

VicGeneration08 is now up and running across 11 LGAs in Western Victoria with recruitment into the study progressing well. This is an innovative new study to examine the environmental, behavioural and biological predictors of early childhood caries (tooth decay) in children from the Western corridor of Victoria.

This project has been funded by the NHMRC and Dental Health Services Victoria and will involve 500 young children and their primary carers. The families are drawn from disadvantaged and culturally diverse communities in metropolitan, regional and rural Western Victoria to provide a population-oriented sample that involves and reflects the diverse population from this region of the state. The evidence generated in this study will allow the development of evidence-based health promotion activities and public policy related to oral and general health, as well as solution focused interventions to prevent dental decay in young children.

The project is managed by Dr Andrea Sanigorski and we now have a great team of experienced and culturally diverse research assistants and oral health practitioners involved in the data collection from mothers and their young babies.

New Staff, Collaborators and Visitors

Bella Blaher commenced as a Research Support Officer with the McCaughey Centre in September. Bella has a background in immunology research and will be supporting research administration and development activities led by Professor Elizabeth Waters and Professor Tony LaMontagne.

Kathleen Brasher has left the Centre to commence a position with VicHealth as Health Inequalities Senior Project Officer. Kathleen will continue to hold an honorary position with the McCaughey Centre, and so we look forward to continued collaboration with Kathleen in the future.

Xiaogang Chen has recently moved on to the Department of Human Services. Xiaogang's contribution to the Community Indicators Victoria project was an outstanding one, and he will be greatly missed by Centre staff.

Rachel Clark commences with the Cochrane Public Health Review Group Evidence Generation and Knowledge Translation themes on November 3. Rachel is a PhD student from Cardiff University and the Cardiff Institute of Society, Health and Ethics, and the focus of her research is on the development of a measure of knowledge translation influence and use in public health decision making.

Grace Ferguson-Thorne completed her employment with the McCaughey Centre in September. Grace has gone on to several months' travel in Australia and New Zealand, and plans to return home to Cardiff for further study early in 2009. Grace's contribution to a wide range of projects was greatly appreciated, and we wish her all the best in her travels and future endeavours.

Johanna Mithen has taken on a research fellow role in the VicGen08 project, in collaboration with Dental Health Services Victoria. VicGen08 is a child health and wellbeing study, examining the reasons why children get tooth decay.

Lara Williamson began a position as a Research Fellow in August. Lara will work across several projects concerning climate change as well as supporting the Cochrane Public Health Review Group.

Postgraduate Students

Postgraduate Student of the Year Award

The McCaughey Centre would like to congratulate Research Fellow and PhD student Elisha Riggs, who has been awarded the 2008 Australian Health Promotion Association (AHPA) Carol Bailey Scholarship Postgraduate Student of the Year Award. The award recognises Elisha's commitment to and achievement in the area of health promotion. Professor Elizabeth Waters, who leads the McCaughey Centre Child Public Health Research Group, says that this award is a real tribute to Elisha, who has made a significant contribution to AHPA in areas of ethics in research, student participation, professional development, advocacy and conference development.

Conversazione

Friday 7th November 2008, 10.00-3.00pm, '[Conversazione 2008: Aspects of research practices and processes \(An interesting finding, a review of the literature, aspects of your discussion chapter, a methodological approach, an update\)](#)'. All postgraduate students and supervisors in the Centre for Health and Society and McCaughey Centre are invited to participate in this annual postgraduate event. Contact [Di Cox](#) or [Kim McLeod](#) for further details. Presentation topics are due by Monday 6th October.

Knowledge Transfer & Translation

Seminars and Events

Events past

McCaughey Centre Seminar: Living Systems, Epidemiology and Human Relations in Dynamic Equilibrium

Yoland Wadsworth, a Principal Fellow with the title Associate Professor with the McCaughey Centre, presented a transdisciplinary theory of systemic inquiry developed over the course of four decades' work in large-scale complex human services studies. Yoland's seminar attracted a considerable audience and sparked some interesting dialogue during the second part of the event, which was structured as a café-style discussion. The seminar flyer can be viewed [here](#).

The McCaughey Centre Seminar Series

The McCaughey Centre's 2008 Seminar Series drew to a close with Yoland Wadsworth's seminar on 28 October (details above). Our congratulations and thanks to first time event managers Drs Deb Warr and Melanie Davern, who have done a superb job in putting together the highly successful series.

The seminar series will continue in 2009 with new volunteers, so look out for the new program early in semester one next year.

Seminar with Richard Eckersley

The McCaughey Centre recently hosted a brief visit from Richard Eckersley, Director of Australia 21 Ltd and Visiting Fellow at the National Centre for Epidemiology and Population Health, at the Australian National University. Mr Eckersley spoke in detail about three potential responses to fears of the apocalypse brought on by the environmental crisis, nihilism, activism and fundamentalism. His presentation, which was extremely thought-provoking, detailed a wide range of ideas on climate change and addressed the health and wellbeing issues that come with increasing fears of its effects. Mr Eckersley's PowerPoint presentation is available [here](#).

Visit by Karma Tshiteem

The McCaughey Centre and VicHealth jointly hosted a visit to Melbourne by Karma Tshiteem, Secretary of the Gross National Happiness Commission of Bhutan in September. Mr Tshiteem spoke at and participated in a number of events organised by VicHealth, the Australia Bhutan Friendship Association (ABFA) and the McCaughey Centre during his time in Melbourne. He was an invited speaker at the *From Margins to Mainstream* conference, and attended research workshops, meetings with the Victorian Government and the University of Melbourne, and social events with the ABFA.

Mr Tshiteem also gave a very successful public lecture on the work of the Gross National Happiness Commission, which was organised by the McCaughey Centre. A recording of the lecture is available [here](#) and Mr Tshiteem's presentation is available [here](#).

For more information on Bhutan's Gross National Happiness Commission, please follow [this link](#).

Presentations

From Margins to Mainstream: 5th World Conference on the Promotion of Mental Health and the Prevention of Mental and Behavioural Disorders

The McCaughey Centre was well represented at the recent *From Margins to Mainstream* conference, organised by VicHealth. The following is a list of McCaughey Centre staff presentations at the conference.

Wednesday 10 September

Deb Warr and Theonie Tacticos "The Impact of place-based stigma on health"

Sue West "Developing and using community wellbeing indicators: learning from the Victorian experience"

Deb Vallance, Tony LaMontagne and Tessa Keegel "Job stress research to practice: roundtable"

Thursday 11 September

Sue West "Community planning: lessons from local governments in Victoria"

Elise Davis "A cross cultural examination of barriers to social inclusion for children: a qualitative study using child-centred methods".

Elise Davis "Promoting mental health and social and emotional wellbeing in childcare centres based in low socioeconomic areas: strategies, facilitators and challenges".

Tony LaMontagne "Integrating job stress and workplace mental health promotion: development of a new workplace mental health promotion strategy".

Theonie Tacticos "Who participates and how: benefits and tensions in resident engagement initiatives"

Naomi Priest "Needle in a haystack? Research-policy partnerships and knowledge synthesis and exchange for social participation and mental health and wellbeing"

Belinda Robson "The Cunningham Dax Collection: art, mental health and education"

Tony LaMontagne "Unwanted sexual advances in Australia workplaces: variations by employment arrangement"

Marion Frere "An integrated response to family violence"

Friday 12 September

Naomi Priest "Wellbeing in early childhood: Aboriginal perspectives from an urban context"

Tessa Keegel "Job strain: attributable depression in a sample of working Australians"

3rd ICOH International Conference on Psychosocial Factors at Work, Quebec, Canada, 1-4 September 2008

Associate Professor Tony LaMontagne and Dr Deb Vallance paid a recent visit to Canada to be part of the 3rd International Conference on Psychosocial Factors at Work.

Tony LaMontagne - Oral presenter on "Unwanted sexual advances in Australian Workplaces: variations by employment arrangement," **AD LaMontagne**, P Smith, AM Louie, M Quinlan, J Shoveller and A Ostry

Oral presentation by **D Vallance** "We know the question; finding the answer is your job" authored by **D Vallance, AD LaMontagne and T Keegel**

Oral presentation by M Dollard "National surveillance of psychosocial risks; the Australian workplace barometer", authored by M Dollard, G Hall, **AD LaMontagne**, T Winefield, A Bakker, A Taylor and C Mustard

Oral presentation by A Shaw "Shaping the regulatory space: the context for action on stress" authored by A Shaw, V Blewett and **AD LaMontagne**.

Tony LaMontagne. Invited Keynote speaker on "An overview of the scientific evidence on job stress interventions". 3rd Canadian Congress on Mental Health & Addiction in the Workplace, Quebec, Canada, 5 September 2008.

Loga Chandrakumar recently presented on 'Developing a framework to address ethnic and raced-based discrimination' at the 4Rs Conference at University of Technology Sydney.

Tony LaMontagne, invited speaker on "Developing a systems approach to job stress: current evidence & future directions" **AD LaMontagne**, A Ostry, AM Louie, T Keegel, D Vallance, P Landsbergis, C Beale, A Shaw, V Blewett, and C Shann. Comcare International Conference, Canberra, 22-24 October 2008.

AD LaMontagne and A Holloway, invited Grand Rounds speaker on "Asbestos disease in the Latrobe Valley: past experience and future directions". Monash medical School at Churchill, Victoria, August 2008.

Professor Elizabeth Waters made the following presentations:

Invited keynote speaker. The 5th European Youth Heart Study Symposium. Children, Physical Activity & Nutrition. University of Iceland. 9th - 11th October 2008.

Expert speaker at Ministerial Launch. Move, Play and Go Launch for Kids Go For Your Life. Bell Primary School. July 16 2008.

Invited speaker. What evidence is needed to inform policy and funding decisions? Community and policy based obesity prevention interventions. What is needed to achieve sustainable change? Brisbane July 10 2008.

Invited one day visit and seminar. Evidence synthesis, upstream determinants and health inequalities: Seminar to discuss a new Cochrane Public Health Review Group and WHO involvement. World Health Organisation. May 15 2008. Geneva.

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