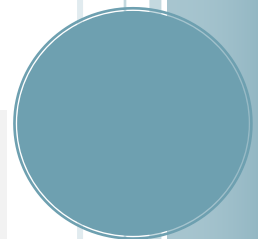




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# AUSTRALASIAN JUVENILE JUSTICE ADMINISTRATORS

## *Acknowledgements*

This is the twelfth annual report of AJJA and covers the period 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018.

AJJA membership has experienced some change during the year with departmental restructures occurring across Australian youth justice services. I would like to acknowledge those members who are no longer with AJJA.

- Sue Barr, longstanding member for South Australia, 2013-17
- Sean Harvey, longstanding member for Queensland, 2013-17
- Phil Hall, member for Queensland, 2016-18
- Karen Broadfoot, member for the Northern Territory, 2017 (January to August)
- Leonie Watson, member for Tasmania, 2017 (January to November)

AJJA would like to extend appreciation to you for your commitment and contribution and wish you all the best.

Rohan Bennett, Director Youth Justice, assumed membership for South Australia in September 2017, with Michael Homden, Executive Director Youth Justice joining in April 2018; Darren Hegarty, Assistant Director-General who (is a returning AJJA member) replaced Sean Harvey as member for Queensland in April 2018; Sasha Robinson, Executive Director Youth Justice replaced Karen Broadfoot as member for the Northern Territory in September 2017; and Greg Brown, Director Youth Justice replaced Leonie Watson as shared member for Tasmania in February 2018. A very warm welcome to you all.

I thank South Australia and New Zealand for hosting the November 2017 and the April 2018 face-to-face AJJA meetings respectively. These meetings continue to provide an important opportunity for members to come together to share knowledge and information and progress the AJJA work plan.

The April 2018 meeting was the first AJJA meeting to be hosted in New Zealand. AJJA members did a facility visit to Te Puna Wai ō Tuhinapo youth justice residence and the Youth Cultural Development Centre that Oranga Tamariki partners with to provide services to young people at risk. The cultural experience and interaction with the young people was an eye opener for members and everyone left with many take ways to consider for their own state or territory.

Youth justice across jurisdictions continues to respond to challenges and contribute to improving community safety. AJJA plays a key role in supporting all states and territories in this regard.

AJJA continues to work collaboratively with the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) to deliver on the Juvenile Justice Research and Information Group (JJ RIG) work plan, including building the Juvenile Justice National Minimum Data Set (JJ NMDS) and youth justice evidence base. AJJA also continues to provide data and advice for the publication of RoGS.

I am pleased to provide to you the annual report of the Australasian Juvenile Justice Administrators for the period of 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018.



Mark Burgess  
AJJA Deputy Chair

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## AJJA Membership

AJJA's membership comprises a minimum of one senior executive officer from each of the Australian state or territory departments and New Zealand who are responsible for the delivery of youth justice services.

During 2017-18 AJJA Members were:

Julia Griffith, Department of Justice and Regulation (AJJA Chair), VIC

Sudha Joseph, Department of Justice and Regulation, VIC

Karen Broadfoot, Territory Families, NT (7/17 - 8/17)

Sasha Robinson, Territory Families, NT

Sue Barr, Department for Communities and Social Inclusion, SA (7/17 - 9/17)

Rohan Bennett, Department for Communities and Social Inclusion, SA

Michael Homden, Department for Communities and Social Inclusion, SA

Jodie Robinson, Community Services Directorate, ACT

Melanie Hawyes, Department of Justice, NSW

Sean Harvey, Department of Justice and Attorney-General, QLD (7/17 - 3/18)

Darren Hegarty, Department of Child Safety, Youth and Women, QLD

Dr Susan Diamond, Department of Health and Human Services, TAS

Leonie Watson, Children and Youth Services, TAS (7/17 - 11/17)

Greg Brown , Department of Health and Human Service, TAS

Mark Burgess, Department of Corrective Services (Deputy Chair), WA

Allan Boreham, Ministry of Vulnerable Children – Oranga Tamariki, NZ

Phil Dinham, Ministry of Vulnerable Children – Oranga Tamariki, NZ

## 2017-18 Financials

In 2017-18, AJJA finances were administered by the Department of Justice and Regulation, Victorian Government.

The independent audit of AJJA finances was undertaken by BDO Audit (NT). The purpose of the audit is to formalise financial management arrangements for AJJA, as well as to establish in its own right financial governance processes to meet best practice standards.

Please refer to Appendix A for jurisdictional contributions and Appendix B for the auditor's financial statement.

## AJJA Contacts 2017-18

Jurisdiction	Representative
ACT	Jodie Robinson, Senior Director Child and Youth Protection - Operations Community Services Directorate GPO Box 158, Canberra ACT 2601
NSW	Melanie Hawyes, Executive Director Juvenile Justice Department of Justice GPO Box 31 Sydney NSW 2001
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QLD	Darren Hegarty, Assistant Director-General Youth Justice Services Department of Child Safety, Youth and Women GPO Box 149, Brisbane QLD 4001
QLD	Phil Hall, Director Youth Justice Policy, Performance, Programs and Practice Department of Child Safety, Youth and Women GPO Box 149, Brisbane QLD 4001
SA	Michael Homden, Executive Director Youth Justice Department for Communities and Social Inclusion GPO Box 292, Adelaide SA 5001
TAS	Dr Susan Diamond, Director Strategy, Program Development and Evaluation Department of Health and Human Services GPO Box 125 Hobart, TAS 7001
TAS	Greg Brown, Director Services to Young People Department of Health and Human Services 119 Cameron Street, Launceston TAS 7250

TAS	Jane Wood, Manager Planning and Program Development Department of Health and Human Services GPO Box 125 Hobart, TAS 7001
VIC	<u>Chair</u> Julia Griffith, Deputy Secretary Youth Justice Department of Justice and Regulation Level 26, 121 Exhibition St, Melbourne VIC 3000
VIC	Sudha Joseph, Director Policy and Strategy Youth Justice Services Department of Justice and Regulation Level 26, 121 Exhibition St, Melbourne VIC 3000
WA	<u>Deputy Chair</u> Mark Burgess, Assistant Director Youth Justice Services Department of Corrective Services Level 3, Westralia Square, 141 St Georges Tce, Perth WA 6000
NZ	Allan Boreham, Deputy Chief Executive Youth Justice Services Ministry of Vulnerable Children – Oranga Tamariki PO Box 546, Wellington 6001 New Zealand
NZ	Phil Dinham, Director Youth Justice Services Ministry of Vulnerable Children – Oranga Tamariki PO Box 546, Wellington 6001 New Zealand



## Glossary of Acronyms

AIHW	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
AJJA	Australasian Juvenile Justice Administrators
JJ NMDS	Juvenile Justice National Minimum Data Set
JJ RIG	Juvenile Justice Research Information Group
RoGS	Report on Government Services

## Appendix A: 2017-18 Jurisdictional Contributions

	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	NZ	Total
<b>Research<sup>i</sup></b>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Secretariat<sup>ii</sup></b>	\$9,866	\$16,991	\$9,866	\$15,896	\$15,896	\$9,866	\$15,896	\$15,896	\$10,235	\$120,408
<b>AIHW MoU<sup>iii</sup></b>	\$6,405	\$124,432	\$4,044	\$78,221	\$28,012	\$8,588	\$96,490	\$42,414	N/A	\$388,606
<b>Total</b>	\$16,271	\$141,423	\$13,910	\$94,117	\$43,908	\$18,454	\$112,386	\$58,310	\$10,235	\$509,014

**Note:**

Figures are GST exclusive.

<sup>i</sup> Due to remaining funds from 2016-17 roll-over, jurisdictions were not invoiced for 2017-18 research contributions.

<sup>ii</sup> CPI: 2.5%. Funds used for Secretariat wages, Secretariat travel expenses, and miscellaneous expenses.

<sup>iii</sup> Schedule 2 to the MoU was renewed on 1 July 2015 for a further three year period. Funds will be used for JJ NMDS coordination, Youth Justice in Australia, Youth Detention Population in Australia, Young People Returning to Youth Justice Supervision, Linkage Report, and JJ RIG Secretariat. See AJJA-AIHW MoU Schedule 2 for further information.

## Appendix B: AJJA Financial Statements 30 June 2018



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