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# Minister's foreword

We were delighted to announce in April 2017 that funding for Andrology Australia would continue to June 2020.

For seventeen years, Andrology Australia has played a pivotal role in delivering evidence-based men's reproductive health campaigns. It has provided information to men and their families, and educated health professionals across Australia.

More recently, the organisation has highlighted issues such as obesity, smoking, cardiovascular disease and mental health. These are all significant concerns that can cause or, in some cases, be caused by, men's reproductive health problems.

Andrology Australia's collaborative, partnership-based approach to improving male health that brings together experts from a broad range of areas helps the Commonwealth Government deliver better health outcomes for all males. It is important that this work continue.

*I congratulate the Board, staff, expert advisors and partner organisations of Andrology Australia on another successful year.*



*Greg Hunt*

**The Hon Greg Hunt**  
Minister for Health

## CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

It was a year of getting back to business after the tireless effort put in by Andrology Australia's Medical Director, Professor Rob McLachlan, and our small team of dedicated staff who lobbied and harnessed the support of our partners, colleagues and friends to have our funding re-instated. It was a massive task that achieved an outstanding result.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank the Minister for Health, the Hon Greg Hunt for funding Andrology Australia and for his continued commitment to male health.

During 2017 we said goodbye to four Directors – Professor Alexandra Barratt, Mr David Parkin OAM, Dr Ray Warner and Dr Alan Wright. Their expertise and skills have helped shape the organisation and I would like to personally thank them for their significant contribution to the growth of Andrology Australia over the years.

At our inaugural Annual Meeting held in October we welcomed three new Board Directors, who bring their vast and impressive skills to the Andrology Australia Board - Ms Chris Enright, Dr Keith Gleeson and Dr Kevin McGeachan.

We are fortunate to have a skilled Management Committee, which comprises four Directors (including the CEO) and three

appointed advisors. They met eight times in 2017 to oversee operational matters.

It gave me great pleasure to award Professor David de Kretser AC the role of Director Emeritus in recognition of his role as the founder of Andrology Australia. David realised nearly 20 years ago that male health is a significant issue that requires a combined approach from sectors as diverse as government, health, community, education and employment.

This continues to apply today, with male health requiring the continued attention of Andrology Australia now more than ever.



*David Crawford*  
**Mr David Crawford AO**  
Chairman

## MEDICAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT

It was a great start to the year knowing that we had received funding for another three years and that we can continue to build on the achievements of so many people over our 17-year history. My thanks goes to the many people who lobbied and advocated on our behalf to make this happen.

Renewal and revitalisation were the themes for 2017. With the funding issue addressed we were able to focus on getting our core business back in place with the recruitment of our new CEO, Mr Simon von Saldern. We then proceeded to refresh and create the various committees and working groups required to meet our project plan commitments.

With the assistance of our highly valued expert reviewers, our printed and online information is being regularly reviewed and updated once again.

After eight years with the organisation Dr Veronica Collins, Scientific Writer and Editor, left to build her consulting business. Whereas we are fortunate to have Veronica still working with us on a casual basis, I'd like to thank her and

acknowledge her dedication to male health in her time with Andrology Australia.

It is our core staff and our many affiliates and collaborative partners that enable Andrology Australia to make its contribution to the health of Australian males. So please take the time to read the stories in this 2017 Year in Review of just a few of these people committed to improving male health.



*Robert I McLachlan*  
**Professor Robert I McLachlan AM**  
Director

# Who we are

Andrology by definition is the medical specialty that deals with male health, particularly as it relates to the male reproductive system. It is the male equivalent of gynaecology, focusing on men's and boys' 'bits below the belt'.

Over the last seventeen years, Andrology Australia has championed the cause of reproductive health in males. It has done this by delivering public campaigns targeting at-risk groups of men and providing education programs for health professionals and consumers. This has been possible due to the ongoing support of, and partnership with, leading experts and organisations in health and related disciplines. Our partners give their time in kind to ensure their learning and knowledge is readily available to others.

The organisation's strength comes from the valuable expertise that members of the health community make available as reviewers, committee members and speakers. Consequently, Andrology Australia has built a formidable knowledge bank and has become a highly accessible centre for excellence in men's reproductive health.

Dr Timothy Hargreave, Former Chairperson of the Science and Ethics Review Group in the Human Reproduction Programme at the World Health Organisation said recently, 'Andrology Australia is a model men's health programme which other countries should emulate.'

Andrology Australia's website and YouTube channel continued to be trusted knowledge sources, with over one million

visitors. Monthly e-newsletters and a quarterly printed newsletter kept health professionals and the public informed about what was topical and newsworthy – from the latest on medications and treatments, to information on health topics and our health partners.

Whether it is supporting men's health promotion initiatives, providing information, delivering professional training or planning for the future of men's health, by building a respected evidence base and research capacity, Andrology Australia is proud to be at the forefront of activities that greatly enhance the reproductive health of males.

During 2017 Andrology Australia continued to provide information and education resources covering a broad range of male health topics for health professionals and individuals. The Men's Health Week campaign addressed the need for men to take charge of, and talk about, their health. The themes of 'If men can look after their families' and 'If men can talk about match fitness' encouraged men to prioritise their own health.

*'Andrology Australia is a model men's health programme which other countries should emulate.'*

**Dr Timothy Hargreave, Former Chairperson of the Science and Ethics Review Group in the Human Reproduction Programme at the World Health Organisation**



*If men can talk about match fitness*

**Why is it sometimes hard to discuss their own health?**

Talk to your doctor and visit [andrologyaustralia.org](http://andrologyaustralia.org) to learn how to stay in the game longer.

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# OUR ADVISORS

The fast growth in medical knowledge, and more sophisticated expectations by patients are posing some interesting challenges for general medical practitioners says Dr Geoff Broomhall, a GP in the Melbourne suburb of Lilydale.

Dr Geoff Broomhall is a member of Andrology Australia's GP Education Reference Group. He is a GP at the Lilydale Medical Centre, and is a GP Clinical Editor with HealthPathways, an online manual used by clinicians to help make assessment, management, and specialist request decisions. To find out more about Andrology Australia's GP resources and education, go to:

[www.andrologyaustralia.org](http://www.andrologyaustralia.org) > [health-professionals](#) > [gps](#)

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‘Medical knowledge is changing at an incredible rate. GPs are “time poor”, and the challenge for us is how to keep on top of the huge amount of information available and to make treatment and referral decisions accordingly.

‘In the early days of my practice, patients came to me for advice. Now they are just as likely to come to me to get a perspective on the knowledge they have researched online. GPs are now having much more sophisticated discussions with patients, some of which have accessed peer-reviewed studies.

‘In my practice, we see men come in for different issues across their life span. Young males come with concerns about testicular lumps, the size of their genitalia, their hormonal status and sexually transmitted diseases. In their late twenties and early thirties, testicular cancer can be an issue. Middle aged males will often come with the onset of erectile dysfunction and prostatitis (inflammation of the prostate gland). And older males tend to present with urinary tract symptoms related to benign prostate disease. In this age group, there is often a concern about prostate cancer and the value or not of screening. There is a broad range of men's health issues about which GPs need to keep on top of the latest information.

‘GPs need the skills and confidence to be able to better understand these issues so that they can make appropriate referrals. It's very costly to send patients to urologists for concerns that might be

better dealt with within our practices. We need to be resourced with evidence-based information to give us the confidence to make sound decisions. And we need to access this through responsive and interactive technologies.

‘I've been involved with Andrology Australia almost since its inception – from teaching in a sexual health course at Family Planning Victoria, to delivering talks to various community groups based on Andrology Australia publications, to ensuring that the organisation's GP education modules are current and relevant.

**‘Andrology Australia is the only truly independent Government-funded men's health body where we can subject the literature to evidence-based analysis,** and where we can co-opt the support of experts and public figures to disseminate men's health information. The organisation has credibility and proven track record when it comes to reaching both health professionals and consumers.

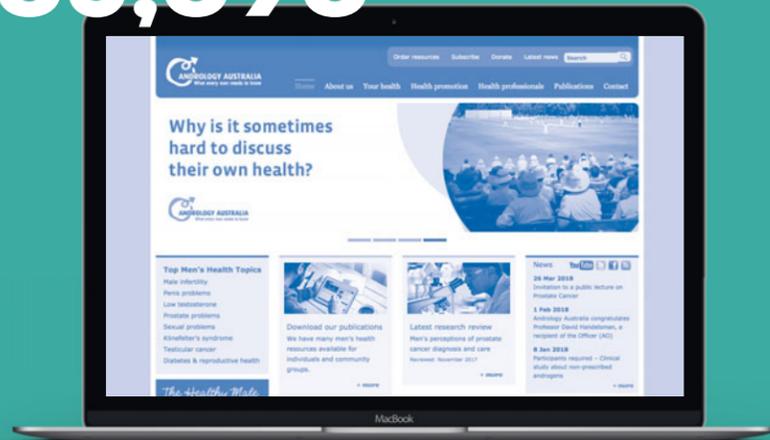
‘We had up to 600 blokes come along to events that we'd run with high profile figures. That's a great achievement given blokes tend to be reactive health engagers rather than proactive health engagers.

‘I think the organisation has an ongoing role at the forefront of some of the complex issues we are seeing in this area. Men's health is very important, and we need champions.’

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# 2017 Snapshot

**985,898** Unique views of the website



**867,881** views of male health topics on the website. Information comprises

- 32** Fact sheets
- 14** Booklets
- 12** Clinical summary guides
- 2** Practice guidelines
- 5** new research reviews

**36,343** YouTube views in 2017

34 YouTube videos

**73,480** Newsletters distributed across Australia



**9,000** Email bulletins distributed

**40,000** Men's Health Week themed resources



- 32** health topic fact sheets plus
- 13** fact sheets for better health channel maintained by Andrology Australia
- 108,450** printed resources distributed
- 390,000** User's guides distributed to date

**5,746**

clinical resources distributed to health professionals

Workshop presentations to **2,500** GPs across Australia

**1,500** registered users of professional online learning portal





# Our Community Connections

Ruth Jacka has been disseminating men's health information on behalf of Lane Cove Council for more than seven years. She distributes some 1000 Andrology Australia resources each year, including fact sheets, booklets, and a card with service information, which she says is particularly helpful.

'Andrology Australia's information is excellent. I'm on an email list and so I am aware when new information becomes available. Once I've ordered the resources, they always arrive promptly – that's important when you're running community campaigns.'

'Here at Council we try and engage men right across the community, from those in workplaces, to older men, to those who use our libraries.'

'Our planning team has good relationships with worksites, and we've used that goodwill to provide men's health information packs to tradesmen. When you go to the sites, you see that they already have work health safety and mental health posters up on their walls. We're building on the awareness they already have, as you can't make assumptions about what people know or don't know. We're using a similar strategy for workers within Council. For example, every male employee within our Works depot gets a package with a range of information that might be helpful to them as men.'

'We do a yearly library display of posters and brochures for Men's Health Week, from where we disseminate hundreds of resources. This has been very successful because there is a lot of foot traffic through the library and we can reach the broader community. It's a way of getting to those who don't always come to information sessions or community events.'

'In the past, I've popped the Andrology Australia services card into correspondence with our over-55s mailing list. We've also worked with

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community groups, such as the Men's Shed Association, to run information sessions during Men's Health Week over the years. We work with different community groups each year. The common denominator is that we provide a range of information so that there is always something relevant on offer.

'One of the ongoing concerns that we have here at Council is how to help engage men to come to things like information sessions. I know of other health and government services who have had similar issues. Some years ago, I attended a workshop with some key players in the men's health services area, including Andrology Australia. They provided some concrete suggestions to address these issues. Andrology Australia also have a useful toolkit to help get started with events.'

'We need to think laterally when it comes to engaging men. Here at Council we use the opportunity presented by generic campaigns such as Mental Health Month to target men specifically. We find that when we have displays on this issue, the information for new fathers, young boys, and older men is particularly popular.'

'The uptake of information across the community is a promising sign that here at Council we are engaging with men at various levels in a bid to meet their diverse health needs.'

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Ruth Jacka is a Community Development Officer with Lane Cove Council in New South Wales. For tips on running men's health events in your community, go to:

[www.andrologyaustralia.org](http://www.andrologyaustralia.org) > health promotion > mens-health-education-kit

# Advisors and Affiliates

The high quality of evidence-based, health information provided by Andrology Australia is due largely to the calibre of advisors and affiliates that make their time available on a pro bono basis. Whether they review information or inform the program, their invaluable services are a large part of the organisations' success.

## Andrology Australia Advisors

**Associate Professor Carolyn Allan**  
Endocrinologist, Vic

**Dr Emma Beardsley**  
Medical Oncologist, Vic

**Dr Gideon Blecher**  
Urologist, Vic

**Associate Professor Eric Chung**  
Urologist, Qld

**Associate Professor Roger Cook**  
Psychologist, Vic

**Professor David de Kretser AC**  
Endocrinologist, Vic

**Professor Mark Frydenberg**  
Urologist, Vic

**Professor Frank Gardiner**  
Urologist, Qld

**Mr Jeremy Grummet**  
Urologist, Vic

**Professor David Handelsman AO**  
Endocrinologist, NSW

**Professor John Hutson AO**  
Paediatric Surgeon, Vic

**Dr Darren Katz**  
Urologist, Vic

**Mr Adam Landau**  
Urologist, Vic

**Associate Professor Doug Lording**  
Endocrinologist, Vic

**Dr Michael Lowy**  
Sexual health physician, NSW

**Professor Robert McLachlan AM**  
Endocrinologist, Vic

**Mr Graeme Southwick OAM**  
Plastic Surgeon, Vic

**Professor Gary Wittert**  
Endocrinologist, Vic

**Associate Professor Peter Royce**  
Urologist, Vic

**Dr le-Wen Sim**  
Endocrinologist, Vic

**Professor Rodney Sinclair**  
Dermatologist, Vic

## The Affiliate Program

**Professor John Aitken**  
Newcastle University, NSW

**Dr Andrew Beveridge**  
Ord Valley Aboriginal Services, WA

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**Dr Gideon Blecher**  
Urologist, Vic

**Professor Suzanne Chambers**  
Griffith Health Institute, Griffith University, Qld

**Associate Professor Eric Chung**  
Princes Alexander Hospital, Qld

**Professor Judith Clements**  
Centre for Molecular Biotechnology, QUT, Qld

**Associate Professor Ann Conway**  
Concord Repatriation General Hospital, NSW

**Professor Peter Ebeling**  
School of Clinical Sciences, Monash University, Vic

**Mr David Elder**  
Southern Specialist Centre, SA

**Dr Michael Gillman**  
General Practitioner, Qld

**Dr Mathis Grossman**  
Austin Health, Vic

**Associate Professor Dragan Ilic**  
School of Public Health & Preventive Medicine, Monash University, Vic

**Dr Phillip Katelaris**  
Prostate Cancer Rehabilitation Centre, NSW

**Professor Marita McCabe**  
Australian Catholic University, Institute for Health & Ageing, Vic

**Dr Anthony Morrow**  
Consultant Endocrinologist, NSW

**Professor Moira O'Bryan**  
Department of Anatomy and Developmental Biology, Monash University, Vic

**Emeritus Professor Doreen Rosenthal**  
University of Melbourne, Vic

**Associate Professor James Smith**  
Charles Darwin University, NT

**Associate Professor Sanjiva Wijesinha**  
Department of General Practice, Monash University, Vic

**Dr Addie Wootten**  
Smiling Mind, Vic

# Partners

Collaborations have been formalised through working agreements with the following agencies:

## Australian Men's Health Forum (AMHF)

"The Australian Men's Health Forum is committed to working with others to create a healthier future for men and boys. Andrology Australia is one of our key partners and we value its focus on male reproductive health and its willingness to help tackle the broader social factors that shape men's health." Jonathan Bedloe, President, AMHF.

## Jean Hailes Research Unit

The Jean Hailes Research Unit is committed to building and translating evidence about the social determinants, in particular gender-based risks to the health of women. We are very pleased that Andrology Australia is committed to a similar strategy in the health of men. We value our partnership as the best way to realise these shared goals.

## Australian Men's Shed Association

The Australian Men's Shed Association and Andrology Australia partnership has existed since the beginnings of the National Male Health Policy in 2008/09. Our partnership means that we can help connect our Men's Shed network of thousands of Australian men with important information about their health – in a way that is relevant and engaging.

Andrology Australia has supported the development and evolution of our 'Spanner in the Works?' male health initiative and continues to support men's health events right down to an individual shed level. Collaboration across men's health organisations, providers and practitioners is critical to the holistic improvement of men's health in Australia and will ensure this agenda is taken consistently to our policy makers.

## Men's Health Information and Resource Centre (MHIRC)

Since its inception in 1998 MHIRC has been promoting boy's and men's health, working from a strong social determinants of health perspective, across Australia and beyond. This has also involved launching and running Australian Men's Health Week for the last 10 years. We are delighted that other organisations are joining in a partnership for this work and seeing the value of this approach.

## Your Fertility

Part of the Fertility Coalition, Andrology Australia makes a significant contribution to Your Fertility. The importance of men's health for couples planning to have a baby is not widely promoted and the focus on men in the activities of Your Fertility is a unique and defining feature of the program.

## ANZAC Research Institute

The ANZAC Research Institute values the role of Andrology Australia to provide training opportunities by supporting an annual Andrology Fellowship to be held during training in the Department of Andrology, Concord Hospital. This Fellowship provides professional training opportunities in andrology for specialist trainees from different medical disciplines. This valuable partnership has resulted in numerous trained Fellows, thus increasing the very limited workforce capacity and ultimately benefiting male reproductive health.

## Hudson Institute of Medical Research -

The Hudson Institute of Medical Research has a long history with Andrology Australia and is proud to provide training opportunities by way of an annual Fellowship to doctors that provides endocrinology specialist trainees with skills in the field of andrology. Each year this results in another trained Fellow providing expertise in male reproductive health, benefiting the medical community and the public.



# EDUCATION, RESEARCH *and innovation*



**Professor Dragan Ilic is the Director of Teaching & Learning and the Head of the Medical Education Research & Quality (MERQ) unit at the Department of Epidemiology and Preventive Medicine in the School of Public Health and Preventive Medicine at Monash University.**

‘My interest in men’s health and education really took off in the early days of the internet. While the internet made more health information available to consumers, it also led to confusion about what was good quality information and what wasn’t.’

An interest in creating clear, accurate health messages led Monash University’s Professor Dragan Ilic to connect with Andrology Australia in 2001. He helped inform their patient education resources and website to ensure that the information was evidence-based.

‘Since then, I’ve been lucky enough to work with Andrology Australia on various projects, from interviewing patients on their experiences of testicular cancer, to translating peer-reviewed journal articles into language that a layperson might understand. More recently they supported one of our studies exploring the benefits of coaching men on prostate cancer screening within the primary practice setting.’ Professor Ilic notes that Andrology Australia has played a key role not only in supporting research, but in creating mass public campaigns and developing position statements on important men’s health issues.

‘Prior to the organisation existing, there was very little discussion around men’s health. Andrology Australia did a lot of the heavy lifting when it came to raising the profile of men’s health.’

‘They’ve had some very successful awareness campaigns using sportsmen. For example, the advertisements with Merv Hughes some years back really encouraged the average bloke to talk or think about their health.’

‘While men’s health has come a long way since the early days of the organisation, there’s more work to be done. We still need to educate men and the community so that they are aware of the benefits and possible risks of treatments, and so that they can make informed decisions about their health. I also think the next step is to tackle the broader issues of male obesity, cardiovascular disease and mental health.’

I’m so pleased that Andrology Australia are continuing to champion the cause for men’s health. In my eyes, the organisation really is a Centre of Excellence.

*‘The organisation’s been very supportive in trialling new ideas and coming up with novel ways to push the men’s health agenda from a practical point of view, as well as at a policy level. It does this by targeting both the community as well as health professionals.’*

# Our Board Directors



Dr Gleeson works as a GP at the Biripi Aboriginal Medical Corporation in Taree NSW and is a newly appointed Andrology Australia Board Member.

Dr Keith Gleeson knows what it means to struggle as a bloke.

His father died of cancer when he was 11. He left school in year 10. After an injury in a saw mill accident, he struggled to find work. He drifted from relative to relative until he got evicted for the final time at age 19.

The turning point? It was when he realised he was the only one who could change things.

‘A lot of people told me that I should give up, that I’m not going to get anywhere. But it’s my life. And I realised that I was the only one who could change it.’

Keith went on to complete high school at age 21. He finished his first degree in Parks and Heritage, working as a trainee park ranger before going on to do his medical degree. He had a young family at the time.

‘It was a struggle for six years. But I got there. I’ve had to persevere. In my life I’ve made mistakes, but I’ve tried to learn from them to grow. Life’s a bit like being in a boxing ring. You’re going to get knocked down, but you have to get up, dust yourself off, and keep going.’

He’s now works as a GP with the Biripi Aboriginal Medical Service in Taree, north of Newcastle in New South Wales. He loves working in the area where some of his family are originally from.

Keith is concerned that there are a lot of disparities in Aboriginal men’s

health, particularly when it comes to cancer treatments. Presenting with health problems too late is problematic, as is access to affordable treatments for those in rural and remote areas. This in turn means poorer outcomes.

‘Sometimes Aboriginal men skirt around the issues to do with sexual and reproductive health, especially if you’re a new GP. Often, they don’t come in earlier because they’re embarrassed. Many men attach pride to that area.’

‘I work on building trust with my patients. I see myself as a doctor, but at the end of the day we are all men – we’re fathers, brothers, uncles. And we share cultural values, which helps.’

‘It might not come out in the first or second consultation, but eventually a patient might say, “Me manly’s not working”.’

‘Many men don’t know that erectile dysfunction can stem from emotional trauma, from relationship issues, and from physical problems such as high blood pressure or heart disease. And if they don’t get help early, the problem can do permanent damage.’

**‘I believe we have to start early to educate boys in schools to speak up about their health. And we need to let them know that it’s okay to show emotion – they don’t always need to be the tough guy.’**

Keith is passionate about providing a voice for men from all walks of life to help them look after their emotional

and physical health. He believes that if men are healthy, it means they can be better people to themselves, as well as better fathers and husbands.

‘We all have different cultural backgrounds and it really impacts how we how we talk about our health and how we access services. I want to make men’s health relevant to as broad a range of men as possible.’

Recently Keith was admitted to a Royal Australian College of General Practitioners Fellowship. Following his work with the Australian Indigenous Doctor’s Association on engaging Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities in prostate cancer health care programs, he was invited to join Andrology Australia’s Board.

**‘I’m really looking forward to helping develop Indigenous programs with the organisation. The Board is made up of a smart group of individuals who are passionate about men’s health. I hope to increase awareness around Indigenous men’s health and encourage my colleagues to take up the cause.’**

Andrology Australia Board Director. Dr Gleeson was the former Chair of the Indigenous General Practice Registrars Network and has served on numerous advisory boards such as: Hunter New England Area Health Advisory Committee, General Practice Rural Incentive Program and the National Aboriginal Faculty in the Royal Australian College of GP to name a few.

***‘I work on building trust with my patients. I see myself as a doctor, but at the end of the day we are all men – we’re fathers, brothers, uncles. And we share cultural values, which helps.’***

# Advisory Board

After nearly thirty years of collective service four Directors resigned in 2017 to focus on other areas of their professional and personal lives. Andrology Australia would like to thank Professor Alexandra Barratt, Mr David Parkin, Dr Ray Warner and Dr Alan Wright for their dedication and service.

Three new Directors, Ms Chris Enright, Dr Keith Gleeson and Dr Kevin McGeechan, were appointed to the Board at the 2017 Annual Meeting. They bring a wealth of new experience and diverse knowledge to the Board.



**Mr David Crawford AO, Chairman (Vic) 2013–**

David is a former Partner and National Chairman of KPMG and is the current Chairman of Lend Lease Corporation Limited, Chairman of South32 and Chairman of Australian Airports Corporation Limited.

His past roles include a Director of BHP Billiton Limited, Chairman of Foster's Group Limited, Chairman of National Foods Limited, Chairman of The Australian Ballet and Director of Westpac Banking Corporation.



**Professor Alexandra Barratt (NSW) 2013–2017 (resigned October AGM)**

Alexandra is a Professor of Public Health in the School of Public Health, University of Sydney. She has led research projects in breast and prostate cancer screening over the last 20 years and currently leads a team of researchers in a research collaboration for reducing over diagnosis and overtreatment. She is also the Co-Chair of the Scientific Committee for Preventing Over diagnosis of medicine. In 2006 and 2007 she won back-to-back Australian Museum Eureka prizes and is an Australian Museum Eureka Prize Ambassador.



**Professor David de Kretser AC (Vic) 2011–(appointed Director Emeritus October AGM)**

David was instrumental in establishing Andrology Australia, serving as inaugural Director from 1999 to 2006. He returned to Monash University after his term as the 28th Governor of Victoria, a position he held from 2006 to 2011. He continues to serve on the Advisory Board and Management Group of Andrology Australia.



**Ms Chris Enright (Vic) 2017–(appointed October 2017 AGM)**

Chris is a public health professional who works to address issues of health inequity, with a particular interest in innovating the approach of men's health for better individual outcomes. Chris holds a Master of Health and Human Services Management and an MBA from Deakin University in Melbourne. She has fifteen years' experience in delivering major public health campaigns and drove Cancer Council Victoria's men's cancer prevention work for many years.

Chris has been based in the not for profit sector since 2005 and aligns with a social model of health. She is currently a Director at North Western Melbourne Primary Health Network. Chris has co-authored papers published in the Australian Journal of Public Health and Australian Family Physician.



**Professor RA 'Frank' Gardiner AM (Qld) 2005–**

Robert Alexander 'Frank' is a retired academic urologist, Faculty of Medicine, The University of Queensland. His academic base continues to be at the Centre for Clinical Research at the Royal Brisbane and Women's Hospital. He is also an adjunct Professor at Edith Cowan University, Western Australia.



**Associate Professor Doug Lording (Vic) 2000–**

Doug is an Endocrinologist and Andrologist in private practice at Cabrini Hospital, Melbourne. Doug has a 35-year interest in sexual medicine and testosterone use in men, and is a national expert in erectile dysfunction.



**Dr Keith Gleeson (NSW) 2017 (appointed October 2017 AGM)**

Keith is a Biripi / Daingutti man from the Mid North Coast of NSW. He completed his HSC at Bombala High School in 1987 where he commenced his National Parks and Wildlife career that spanned nine years working in Victoria and NSW. He completed a Bachelor of Applied Science (Parks and Heritage) in 1997 at Charles Sturt University.

In 2000 he commenced a Bachelor of Medicine at the University of Newcastle and graduated in 2006. Having completed his residency years on the Central Coast Region of NSW, he then took up graduate training in General Practice and Fellow in January 2014.

Keith was the former Chair of the Indigenous General Practice Registrars Network and has served on numerous advisory boards such as: Hunter New England Area Health Advisory Committee, General Practice Rural Incentive Program and the National Aboriginal Faculty in the Royal Australian College of GP to name a few.

He has worked at Biripi Aboriginal Medical Corporation in Taree NSW for the last seven years. In 2015 he co-published a monograph titled "Engaging Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Communities in Prostate Cancer" released by Prostate Cancer Foundation of Australia.



**Dr Kevin McGeechan (NSW) 2017–(appointed October 2017 AGM)**

Kevin is a Senior Lecturer in Biostatistics at the School of Public Health, University of Sydney. His primary responsibility is for teaching biostatistics in a number of foundation level and advanced level courses. He is also an active researcher in sexual and reproductive health and is currently involved in funded projects on the use of long acting reversible contraception and issues surrounding over diagnosis. In addition to his academic position, Kevin acts as a consultant statistician for Family Planning NSW where he provides advice on study design, implementation and interpretation of results as well as statistical analysis. In 2013 he oversaw the production of the statistical report Reproductive and Sexual Health in Australia.



**Professor David Handelsman AO (NSW) 2000–**

David is Foundation Director of the ANZAC Research Institute and Department of Andrology at Concord Hospital. He is Australia's first Professor of Andrology (University of Sydney) and has long had interest in all aspects of male reproductive health, medicine and biology.



**Professor Robert McLachlan (Vic) 2000–**

Professor Robert McLachlan is a NHMRC Principal Research Fellow at the Hudson Institute of Medical Research and is Deputy Director of Endocrinology at the Monash Medical Centre. He specialises in the area of male reproductive medicine and has made significant contributions to the research in endocrinology, infertility and andrology.

Rob is a consultant to the World Health Organisation (WHO) on male infertility regulation, is a former President of the Fertility Society of Australia, and former Secretary of the International Society of Andrology.

In 2016, he was made a Member in the Order of Australia for services to medicine in the field of endocrinology, particularly to men's reproductive health, and to medical research. Rob has been at Andrology Australia since 2000 and the Medical Director since 2006. From August 2015 to September 2017 Rob was Acting CEO.



**Dr Ray Warner (Qld) 2013–2017 (resigned October AGM)**

Ray is currently working as a Locum GP in rural and remote locations of Western Australia, Tasmania and Queensland. He is a past medical officer and Board member of the Australia Indigenous Doctors' Association and his current involvement is attending the annual AIDA Conference. He was previously enrolled in the Fellowship Chapter of Addiction Medicine (FACHM) and appreciated the challenge, however he prefers the work of a general practitioner. Ray is proud of his family background in the Awabakal and Kamilaroi Nations of Lake Macquarie NSW and Mungundi Qld.



**Mr David Parkin OAM (Vic) 2013–2017 (resigned October AGM)**

David is a former Australian Rules footballer, a premierships captain, and four-time premierships coach, educator, media commentator, consultant and author. He retains his position as an Adjunct Professor at Deakin University, in the School of Exercise and Nutritional Science.



**Dr Alan Wright (WA) 2000–2017 (resigned October AGM)–**

With a significant interest in GP education in the area of men's health, Alan has worked in general practice in Western Australia since 1983. He is currently Chief Medical Officer of the Perth GP group.



**Mr Simon von Saldern (Vic) 2017–**

Simon's diverse experience, most recently as General Manager of Development and Business Services at MOVE muscle, bone and joint health, ranges from strategy and planning to communication and stakeholder engagement, sales and marketing, financial risk and compliance management. Simon was appointed as a Director and the CEO in September 2017.

# MANAGEMENT GROUP

The Management Group consists of four Board Directors and three Board-appointed advisors to assist with the operational aspects of Andrology Australia.



**Professor Gail Risbridger (Vic)**

Gail is Deputy Dean, Special Projects, Faculty Medicine Nursing & Health Sciences, Research Director, Monash Partners Comprehensive Cancer Consortium (MpCCC) and Head, Prostate Cancer Research Program in the Department of Anatomy and Developmental Biology & Biomedical Discovery Institute, Monash University.



**Associate Professor Peter Royce (Vic)**

Peter is Director of Urology, Alfred Hospital, Senior Consultant Urologic Surgeon at The Alfred and Cabrini Hospitals in Melbourne, and Adjunct Clinical Associate Professor, Department of Surgery, Monash University.



**Associate Professor Ben Smith (Vic)**

Ben is based at the School of Public Health and Preventive Medicine at Monash University. He brings 20 years' experience in the design and evaluation of disease prevention and health promotion strategies, and an extensive history of research into health behaviours and their determinants.



**Professor David de Kretser AC (Vic)**

Board Director



**Associate Professor Doug Lording (Vic)**

Board Director



**Mr Simon von Saldern (Vic)**

Board Director and CEO



**Professor Robert I McLachlan AM (Vic)**

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