

AIJA Indigenous Youth Justice Conference

Panellist

Day 2 - Session 15: “Significance of culture to well-being, healing and rehabilitation”



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Dr Paul Gray is a Wiradjuri man and Associate Professor at the Jumbunna Institute of Indigenous Education and Research, UTS, leading their child protection research hub. Paul is committed to reimagining child protection systems and practice to promote healing for our communities, and end their disproportionate impact on Aboriginal children, families and communities.

Paul has worked in a range of roles focused on the safety and wellbeing of Aboriginal children. Starting as a cadet in psychology at the NSW Department of Communities and Justice in 2007, he has worked as a psychologist, a project officer with the Office of the Senior Practitioner, before serving for 5 years as Executive Leader of Strategy, Policy and Evidence at AbSec, the Aboriginal child protection peak organisation in NSW. Paul serves as co-chair of the national Family Matters campaign aimed at ending the over-representation of Aboriginal children in out-of-home care, is a member of the Children’s Court Clinic Professional Advisory Group and a Company Member of the Aboriginal Legal Service (NSW/ACT).