

Don Dingsdag

Don Dingsdag BA(Hons) PhD is the principal of Safety Risk Management Auditing P/L. He is also the chair of the Cardiac Arrest Survival Foundation, a charitable organisation founded to combat the prevalence of sudden cardiac arrest. He has longstanding experience in training and education in occupational health and safety practice, safety management, risk assessment/ management and safety systems.

Don's experience includes research in OHS generically as well as in researching, developing and implementing safety culture and leadership strategies. Together with experience in operational management roles in the manufacturing and retailing sectors he has also achieved success in the policy development of OHS, risk management, behavioural competencies and training strategies in the coalmining, energy, construction, public transport and the food and beverage industries.

Tim Driscoll

Tim Driscoll BSc(Med) MBBS MOHS PHD FAFOEM FAFPHM is an epidemiologist and a specialist in occupational medicine and public health medicine. He is Professor in epidemiology and occupational medicine in the Sydney School of Public Health at the University of Sydney.

Tim's main research interests are the burden of disease and injury arising from occupational exposures; prevention and control of risk factors for occupational cancer, lung disease and injury; OHS for professional orchestral musicians; and the use of data systems for injury and disease surveillance, particularly in an occupational context.

Dianne Gardner

Dianne Gardner PhD, is a registered psychologist and Senior Lecturer in Industrial/ Organisational Psychology in the School of Psychology at Massey University in Palmerston North, New Zealand. She researches wellbeing and healthy work, in particular the positive and negative outcomes that can arise from work demands.

Dianne has published papers on research into work-life balance, coping, resilience, generational differences at work, the role of optimism, self-esteem and social support in work-related wellbeing and stress, emotional intelligence, the veterinary profession, learning from errors, and the effective management of hazards at work. She is particularly interested in researching effective solutions to the problem of workplace bullying.

Ian Laird

Ian Laird BSc(Hons) MSc(Lond) PhD MRSH MBOHS is Associate Professor in Occupational Health and Safety in the Centre for Ergonomics, Occupational Safety and Health, School of Public Health, Massey University, Palmerston North, New Zealand.

Ian leads the OHS programme at Massey University and his particular fields of interest cover occupational hygiene and exposure assessment; noise and the prevention of NIHL; OHS in small businesses and OHS intervention effectiveness research. Ian is a Fulbright Fellow and was appointed Visiting Scientist to the Harvard School of Public Health in 2006.

Ron McCallum

Ron McCallum AO is an Emeritus Professor of the University of Sydney. He served as a full professor in industrial law at that University from 1993 to 2010. From 2002 to 2007, he served a five-year term as Dean of the Faculty of Law of the University of Sydney. Professor McCallum was the Inaugural President of the Australian Labour Law Association from 2001 to 2009.

Ron has taught occupational health and safety law for more than twenty-five years, both at the University of Sydney and at Melbourne's Monash University. In January 2011, Prime Minister Julia Gillard designated Professor McCallum as Senior Australian of the Year. From 2009 to 2014 he was a member of the United Nations Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities whose primary function is to monitor the implementation of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. He Chaired this Committee from 2010 to 2013. Professor McCallum is a part time member of the Administrative Appeals Tribunal, and he is a consultant to the national law firm of HWL Ebsworth.

David McBride

David McBride TD ED MB PhD is an Occupational Physician who trained with British Coal in the UK. His academic posts have been with the Institute of Occupational Health at the University of Birmingham, and since 1995 at the University of Otago where he is currently an Associate Professor in Occupational Health.

Dave's clinical interests lie in the effects of physical agents (noise and vibration) chemical agents (particularly persistent organochlorine compounds and dioxins) and musculoskeletal disorders. He has an area of special expertise in the outcomes of exposure to physical agents, including noise and whole-body/hand-arm vibration. He also has a long standing association with the Army reserves and military medicine. He otherwise has broad interests in all aspects of occupational and environmental epidemiology, including mortality and morbidity from occupational disease.

Pam Pryor

Pam Pryor BSc, BEd, GDOHM, MAppSc, ChOHSP. With a background in OHS consulting and OHS education Pam now specialises in activities around OHS capability and related aspects of OHS professionalism. Her perspective on OHS capability includes OHS education and training, capability and competency frameworks, accreditation of OHS education and certification of OHS professionals.

Pam was the chair of the Technical Panel that developed the OHS Body of Knowledge and inaugural Registrar of the Australian OHS Education Accreditation Board. Her current role as Manager OHS Body of Knowledge Development focuses on the ongoing maintenance and further development of the OHS Body of Knowledge and associated resources.

Pam is also involved in an international research network on OHS capability and was a key player in the development of the Global OHS Capability Framework.