Violence and the media

The stories and the science

Panellists

Noni Hazlehurst AM

Noni Hazlehurst AM is an Australian actor director, writer, presenter and broadcaster who has appeared on television and radio, in dramas, mini-series and made for television films, as well also on stage and in feature films since the early 1970s. Hazlehurst has been honoured with numerous awards including Australian Film Institute Awards, ARIA Awards and Logies, including being inducted into the Hall of Fame in 2016. She has worked extensively for children. She was a Play School presenter from 1978 to 2002, and has been a National Ambassador or Patron for many children's charities. Noni has recorded several music and spoken word albums.

Sally Sara AM

Sally Sara is an award-winning ABC journalist. She has reported from more than 30 countries, including Afghanistan, Iraq, Sierra Leone and Zimbabwe. Sally has spent much of her time as a foreign correspondent and has been based in Kabul, New Delhi and Johannesburg. Sally has won United Nations Media Peace Awards and New York Festivals Radio and Television Awards. She has been South Australian Young Journalist of the Year and Queensland Journalist of the Year. She has been a six-time finalist in the Walkley Awards for Excellence in Journalism. In 2011, Sally was appointed as a Member of the Order of Australia, AM, for service to journalism and the community.

Professor Graham Vimpani AM

Conjoint Professor of Community Child and Family Health University of Newcastle Senior Clinical Advisor, Child Protection and Wellbeing Office of Kids and Families NSW Ministry of Health North Sydney. Graham Vimpani is a semi-retired senior paediatrician who maintains a strong interest in the effects of various forms of violence on children. He was medical head of child protection services at John Hunter Children's Hospital in Newcastle for 25 years.

Keynote speakers on the panel

Professor Elizabeth Handsley - Facilitator

Dr Wayne Warburton