



STANDING COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND COMMUNITY SAFETY
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Inquiry into Community Corrections
ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE
17 February 2022

Asked by Peter Cain on 17/2/22: Lorana Bartels took on notice the following question(s):

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In relation to: **People with mental health issues – eligibility to participate in the ACT’s Drug and Alcohol Sentencing List (DASL)**

Professor Lorana Bartels

The answer to the Member’s question is as follows:–

You will see on the Court’s DASL website that there is nothing about people with such issues being excluded:

<https://www.courts.act.gov.au/supreme/law-and-practice/criminal/drug-and-alcohol-sentencing-list>

Examination of the DASL cases demonstrates that participants have a range of complex MH issues, including depression, anxiety, psychosis, attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD), foetal alcohol spectrum disorder (FASD), post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), borderline personality disorder, schizophrenia, self-harm and suicide attempts. The following cases are illustrative:

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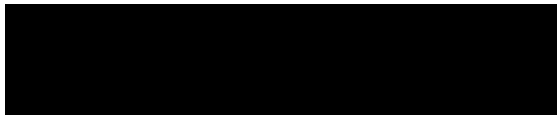
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By Lorana Bartels