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The Alannah & Madeline Foundation announces three new board members

The Alannah & Madeline Foundation, a leading national not-for-profit organisation that's dedicated to keeping children and young people free from violence and trauma, today announced the addition of three new members to its Board of Directors.

Dr Charlotte Keating, David Spriggs and Ryan Liddell will begin serving from the next board meeting. The Foundation's Board Chair, Greg Sutherland, said each brings a unique perspective and the same determination to create a brighter future for our children and young people.

"The Board is proud to welcome these three incredible leaders in their fields as new colleagues on the Alannah & Madeline Foundation Board of Directors."

"We have a clear and ambitious agenda for positive change. Charlotte, David and Ryan will add tremendous value to the organisation with their expertise in their fields as we continue to champion the right of children and young people to live happy, safe and strong."

Dr Charlotte Keating:

A clinical psychologist with a PhD in neuroscience, Dr Charlotte Keating is also an advisory board member for Dolly's Dream.

Charlotte works with adolescents, young adults and executives in her Sydney-based private practice and speaks in primary and secondary schools to students, parents and staff on topics such as bullying, wellbeing and education.

A regular contributor on ABC Radio and print media, Charlotte is an adjunct research fellow at the Centre for Mental Health, Swinburne University.

She is a passionate advocate for mental health, particularly for young people. As a result of her expertise in psychology and neuroscience, Charlotte is uniquely placed to understand young people's needs and the best ways to support them.



David Spriggs:

David is the CEO of Infoxchange, a not-for-profit social enterprise with the vision of 'technology for social justice'. He is passionate about creating a more digitally inclusive society and the role technology can play in improving the efficiency and effectiveness of the not-for-profit sector.

With over 25 years of experience in the not-for-profit and technology sectors, David is a strong advocate for cross sector partnerships to tackle some of our biggest social challenges through the smart and creative use of technology.

In addition to his role at Infoxchange, David is Chair of the Australian Digital Inclusion Alliance (ADIA) and Deputy Chair of Specialisterne Australia, working to create careers for people on the autism spectrum.

He is also a Board member of husITa, an international association dedicated to promoting the ethical and effective use of information technology to better serve humanity.

Ryan Liddell:

Ryan Liddell has nearly 20 years' experience across numerous senior political and communications roles, including as Chief of Staff to former Opposition Leader Bill Shorten, Senior Press Secretary to the Deputy Prime Minister/Treasurer, and Press Secretary to a range of state and federal ministers.

He's played critical roles in numerous election campaigns and has driven progressive change through political action and awareness campaigns.

He is Partner at Principle Advisory, a highly-regarded government relations and strategy firm that works with some of Australia's largest businesses and high-profile leaders to develop policy and engagement with governments.

Ryan is regularly featured on ABC TV as a political commentator.

Mr Sutherland also thanked outgoing board members, Terry Hearity OAM and Richard Broug.

"Both Terry and Richard have brought decades of advice, support and deep enthusiasm to their roles and we can't thank them enough," he said.

