







## **PECS QUICK POINTS**

- Psychological & Educational Consultancy Services (PECS) was established by Dr Shane Langsford in Subiaco in 1999 and has grown from being a single practitioner practice to now comprising seven staff who, under Dr Langsford's continued guidance, conduct child and adult assessments for ADHD, Specific Learning Disorder (SLD: aka Dyslexia, Dysgraphia, Dyscalculia), Autism (ASD), and Intellectual Developmental Disorder (IDD).
- > Dr Langsford has a PhD in Educational Psychology, a Bachelor of Education with First-Class Honours (including a major in School Psychology), and a Bachelor of Psychology.
- ➤ Dr Langsford is a Registered Psychologist with the Psychology Board of Australia (PBA) and the Australian Health Practitioners Regulation Agency (AHPRA).
- ➤ Dr Langsford is a full member of the Australian Psychological Society (APS), Australian Association of Psychologists (AAPi), Australian ADHD Professionals Association (AADPA), ADHD WA (not-for-profit organisation), and the School Psychologist's Association of Western Australia (SPAWA).
- ➤ Dr Langsford is also an APS College of Educational & Developmental Psychologists Academic Member. To be awarded Full Academic Member status, an individual has to have completed a PhD in psychology, have at least two years' experience as a researcher or educator in psychology in the College specific area of practice, <u>and</u> have published a notable body of relevant research in the College-specific area of practice.
- In 2015, Dr Langsford was personally selected from a shortlist by the then Federal Minister of Health (the Hon Sussan Ley) to be part of the 13-member Mental Health Expert Reference Group (MHERG) tasked with providing advice to the Commonwealth Department of Health in relation to the National Review of Mental Health Programmes and Services. Dr Langsford was the only practising psychologist in Australia appointed to the group, and the only member in the group from WA. MHERG www.registeredpsychologist.com.au/pecs-profile
- ➤ In relation to ADHD, Dr Langsford has conducted **5000**+ ADHD assessments for many WA schools, parents, General Practitioners, Psychiatrists, and Paediatricians; was asked in 2014 to be on the National Shire ADHD Expert Panel for the "A Snapshot of ADHD: A Consumer and Community Discussion"; and in 2018 (Madrid), 2019 (Munich), 2020 (Stockholm), 2021/2022 (COVID hiatus), and 2023 (Berlin) was the only Psychologist from Australia invited to participate in the ADHD Institute's "Meeting of the Minds" forum. www.adhd-institute.com
- > Dr Langsford is on the Management Board of ADHD WA. www.adhdwa.org/about-us/management-board
- ➤ Dr Langsford has been a Member of the AFL Players' Association Network of Practitioners since 2020. This Network is coordinated by the AFLPA Mental Health & Wellbeing Team and involves the provision of psychological services to past and present AFL players and their families.
- ➤ Dr Langsford's PhD topic fostered an extensive knowledge of a wide range of disorders and led to the creation of the award-winning PsychProfiler, which is oriented to the DSM-5-TR and has been the most widely used Australian global psychiatric/psychological/educational assessment tool since 2004. see www.psychprofiler.com
- ➤ Dr Langsford has conducted 9000+ assessments over the past 24 years. Dr Langsford, or a psychologist trained by him, is involved with every assessment and/or report at PECS, thus ensuring that every client attending PECS is guaranteed of benefiting from the involvement of a highly qualified and experienced fully Registered Psychologist.
- PECS ensures that the assessment is conducted within 21 working days of the patient's/client's initial contact, and that the report is completed within 7 working days from the assessment. (We are still achieving this in 2024!)
- PECS is often described by educational and medical professionals as providing one of the best assessment and reporting services in WA. Please see www.registeredpsychologist.com.au for a variety of example reports.
- Assessments at PECS are provided at set fees to ensure no surprises for the client/patient, and attract Private Health and Medicare rebates, making them even cheaper for the referred clients/patients.
- Due to increasing wait-times to see a Medical Specialist; many Paediatricians and Psychiatrists are now requesting that an assessment is completed by PECS <u>prior</u> to the patient seeing the Medical Specialist for the first time, so they have a wealth of information at hand at their first appointment and can reach a diagnostic decision there and then.