

Girls and Women in the Criminal Justice System

University, Durham, UK
In-person

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

Wednesday 18th February 2026

Location: St Cuthbert's Society, Parsons Field, Tom Percival Annexe, Durham DH1 3JP

Start time	End time	Activity
09.30	10.00	Registration and Refreshments
10.00	10.15	Welcome and Opening Remarks <i>Professor Tammi Walker, Alison Hodgson, Elaine Platten and Rachel Earnshaw</i>

SESSION 1 10.15- 12.00

Start time	End time	Oral Presentation
10.15	10.35	Occupational Therapy at Primrose Offender Personality Disorder (OPD) Service, HMP Low Newton: A Service Evaluation <i>Charlotte French</i>
10.40	11.00	Relationship between emotion regulation and aggression mediated by criminal thinking in women convicted of violent offenses – <i>Emek Yuce Zeyrel-Rios, Esra Cetinoz, Irem Erten, Ayca Gursoy and M Burak Gonultas.</i>
11.00	11.30	Pop-Up Presentations
11.35	11.55	Gendered Harm, Anti-Mattering, and the Neglect Nexus: Understanding the criminal exploitation of care-experienced girls and young women. <i>Dr Danica Darley</i>
11.55	12.00	Summary of Session 1 <i>Professor Tammi Walker, Alison Hodgson, Elaine Platten and Rachel Earnshaw</i>

Start time	End time	Activity
12.00	13.00	Lunch

SESSION 2 12.45- 14.45

Start time	End time	Activity and Paper Title
13.00	13.30	Poster Presentations
13.30	13.50	<i>What are the experiences of staff working with women in the criminal justice system? A Rapid Evidence Assessment.</i> <i>Joe Swift & Sarah Johnson</i>
13.55	14.15	The Digital Afterlife of Women's Convictions: Gendered Barriers to Reintegration in a Permanently Recorded World. <i>Claire R Silverstone-Bright</i>
14.20	14.40	Seeds of Hope: A Trauma Informed Social Prescribing Pathway for Women's Health in Prison <i>Emma Beniston</i>
14.40	14.45	Summary of Session 2 <i>Professor Tammi Walker, Alison Hodgson, Elaine Platten and Rachel Earnshaw</i>

Start time	End time	Activity
14.45	15.05	Break

SESSION 3 15.15- 16.00

Start time	End time	Activity and Paper Title
15.05	15.30	<i>Prescriptive Movement as a Trauma-Informed Intervention for Women and Girls in the Criminal Justice System.</i> <i>Scarlett Roberts</i>
15.30	16.00	Final Reflections and Closing remarks <i>Professor Tammi Walker, Alison Hodgson, Elaine Platten and Rachel Earnshaw</i>

Poster Presentations

Number	Name & Affiliation	Title
1	Amy Newton	Women's Experiences of Domestic Violence and Abuse, Before, During and After Their Criminal Justice Involvement.
2	Dr Annette McKeown & Robyn Lee	Interventions on aggressions for girls in forensic settings.
3	Kerrie Smith	Prevalence for mental health support for eating disorders in HMP Low Newton.
4	Zsuzsanna Koday	Trauma-informed group counselling for women in prison settings In Hungary.
5.	Rachel Earnshaw	Reflections on 20 Years of Relational Practice from Staff Past/Present. A Descriptive Study Exploring the Presence and Relevance of Violence Risk Items from the FAM Violence Risk Assessment for Women Residing in a Secure Service and OPD Treatment Service.
6.	Elaine Platten	Fitness Intervention within a Female Prison-Based Offender Personality Disorder Service: A Service Evaluation
7.	Jess Huntington & Elaine Platten	Building Awareness of Social Communication Skills within a Female Prison-Based Offender Personality Disorder Service
8.	Rachel Earnshaw	Professional Quality of Life in Staff Working with Complex Personality Difficulties: Learning from Four Years of Data Collection
9.	Rachel Earnshaw & Joe Swift	A Descriptive Study Exploring the Presence and Relevance of Violence Risk Items from the FAM Violence Risk Assessment for Women Residing in a Secure Service and OPD Treatment Service

10 Minute Pop-Up Presentations

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1	Claire R Silverstone-Bright	Hidden Victimhood: DES Daughters and the Forgotten Trauma Pathways into Criminalisation and System Contact.
2	Dr Annette McKeown, Robyn Lee, Catherine Smart Estella & Prof Tammi Walker	Psychoeducation Young Girls' Menstrual Cycles in Secure Services.
3	Elaine Platten & Alison Hodgson	Let's Make Social Climate a "Hot" Topic.