

## Guest speaker: Jim Ogloff



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significant service to education and to the law as a forensic psychologist, as an academic, researcher and practitioner. Professor Ogloff has extensive academic and clinical experience working across youth justice, corrections and forensic mental health. He has published 17 books and more than 280 scholarly articles and book chapters. He has served as Editor of the *International Journal of Forensic Mental Health*, as Associate Editor of *Law and Human Behavior*, and he is an Associate Editor of *Criminal Justice and Behavior*, and an International Editor of *Behavioral Sciences and the Law*. Most recently, he was awarded the 2018 American Psychology-Law Society Award for Distinguished Contributions to Psychology and Law.

### **Guest address: The Assessment of Risk for Stalking: From Risk Factors to Validated Assessment Procedures**

Beginning in the late 1980s, stalking has been identified as a crime in most developed countries. Although initially intended to identify perpetrators to prevent eventual physical harm, stalking and harassment themselves cause harm and damage to victims. Assessing risk among stalkers is complex since two major issues arise. The first question is whether the stalking behaviour will persist and the second matter is whether the behaviour will escalate to violence. Given the unique nature of stalking, and the factors that contribute to it, the need emerged to consider stalking risk separate from other types of risk assessment (e.g., violence or sexual offending). This presentation will briefly review stalking, including typologies of stalkers, and present risk factors related to stalking. I will provide an overview of the validated stalking risk assessment measures (the Stalking Assessment Manual and the Stalking Risk

Profile) and present the research findings that underpin the measures. I will also discuss the use and limitations of other risk assessment measures with stalkers. The presentation will end with guidance to clinicians who work with and assess stalkers.