

**When and
Where:**

**Monday
24 March, 3-7pm**

2.30 - Coffee &
Registration
3-6pm - Seminar
6-7pm - Networking

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1 Carlton Terrace
London SW1Y 5DB

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**Who should
attend:**

Public, VCSE and
Private Sector
Managers &
Practitioners,
Academics, Funders,
Government (MOJ &
NOMS) Policy Makers,
Commissioners and
Research & Data
Analysts.

This event is **FREE**,
but places are
limited, so to
reserve a place,
please e-mail
Griffins Director
Chris Leeson

Translating Practice into Policy: the value of practitioner-led research - the Griffins Society model

Why should we value
practitioner-led research?
What kind of research and for
what purpose? What are the
potential benefits and to
whom?

Evidenced-based practice and
policy has become the mantra,
but with an increasingly volatile
and fragmented landscape
presenting enormous
challenges, just how easy is it to
influence either?

For over ten years the **Griffins
Society** has been funding research
by practitioners from across the
Public and VCS sectors who seek to
bring about change in the
treatment of women and girls who
offend and those at risk of
offending.

The Probation Chiefs Association
(PCA), Wiltshire Probation Trust and
the Griffins Society invite you to
attend this joint seminar to debate
the challenges in bringing about
meaningful change to criminal justice
practice and policy. The Griffins
Society model of practitioner-led
research will be the lens through
which these issues will be explored.

The seminar also comes in the
context of the establishment of a new
Probation Institute from March 2014,
aiming to become a centre for
excellence and professional home for
probation and will examine what
opportunities for practitioner-led
research may arise in the future.

Programme

2.30 – 3pm – Tea/Coffee and Registration

Event Chair – Linda Pizani Williams

3 – 3.05pm - Welcome
Savas Hadjipavlou, CEO, PCA

3.05 – 3.20 – ‘Practitioners, Academics and
Policy Makers – a virtuous triangle?’
Prof. Carol Hedderman (University of Leicester)

3.20 – 3.30 – ‘*The Griffins Model*’ – A bottom
up approach
Chris Leeson (Director, The Griffins Society)

3.30 – 4pm – Case Study 1 - ‘*What success
looks like*’ – Sex Workers in Prison – Changing
minds and changing practices
Griffins Fellow Louise Clark (Development
officer, Clinks)

4 – 4.30pm – Case Study 2 - ‘*Sometimes a
simple change is all that’s needed*’ – Women,
the Parole Board and the meaning of risk,
Fellow Dawn McAleenan (Methodist Action)

4.30 – 5pm – Case Study 3 - ‘*Breach*’ –
converting practice into policy – Just how hard
can it be?
Fellow Sue Jordan (SPO, Leicestershire &
Rutland Probation Trust)

5 – 5.55pm - Panel Discussion: why should
practice drive policy?

Panel Members:

Loraine Gelsthorpe, (University of Cambridge)
Roma Hooper (Chair, The Griffins Society),
Liz Rijnenberg (CEO, Wiltshire Probation Trust)
Sue Rex (ex-Head, Offender Engagement
Research Programme)

5.55 – 6pm – The Probation institute
Ben Ritchie (PCA)

6 – 7pm – Refreshments and Networking

To secure your place, e-mail: chris.leeson@thegriffinssociety.org