



## PERSONAL

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## EDUCATION

Bachelor of Medical Science,  
University of Sydney (2013)  
Master of Public Health,  
University of Melbourne (2017)



Pravin comes from evaluation, with a formal education in health policy, and has adapted this set of skills into the broader and more complex policy areas that ARTD operates in. Pravin relishes the challenge of working in the dynamic field of public policy and evaluation; what he sees as the interplay between science, the humanities and politics. Pravin has a holistic view of health that incorporates the physical, mental, social and environmental wellbeing of people.



*I like being in two states of mind when evaluating. That is, I like being immersed in detail but also seeing the bigger picture.*

## PRAVIN SIRIWARDENA

### RESEARCH ASSISTANT



### DATA COLLECTION AND ANALYSIS

Pravin conducts interviews and is experienced in qualitative data analysis, including the use of Nvivo to prepare coding frameworks and run queries. He also reviews academic and policy literature to inform program evaluations.

- » **National Disaster Resilience Program** (Office of Emergency Management, 2018–2019): Reviewed a large collection of government documents and policy briefs covering multiple grant sub-programs that fund disaster resilience initiatives in communities.
- » **Driver Licensing Access Program Evaluation** (Transport NSW and Roads and Maritime Services NSW, 2019): Conducted a literature scan, involving reviewing grey literature and peer reviewed articles, appraising evidence on best practice models for delivery on driver licensing programs.
- » **Driver Licensing Access Program Evaluation** (Transport NSW and Roads and Maritime Services NSW, 2019): Conducted and analysed interviews with key researchers.
- » **Industrial Transformation Research Project Evaluation** (Australian Research Council, 2019): Transcribed interviews with senior personnel across multiple research hubs.
- » **Driver Licensing Access Program Evaluation** (Transport NSW and Roads and Maritime Services NSW, 2019): Qualitative analysis of key stakeholder responses. Coded responses from researchers, government agencies, program staff and peak bodies using NVivo software.
- » **Reform of NSW Curriculum** (NSW Educations Standards Authority, 2019): Coded peak body, online and community submissions using NVivo software and preparing summaries of peak body submissions.

Pravin also contributes to quantitative analyses at ARTD, most recently having analysed verbatim survey responses from senior academics and project staff for the **Industrial Transformation Research Project Evaluation** (Australian Research Council, 2019).

### HEALTH POLICY

Pravin brings a health lens to public policy, having provided research and administrative support at various health organisations such as the North Western Melbourne Primary Health network and the George Institute for Global Health.

- » Cleaning clinical data for the CONNECT study on lowering cardiovascular disease (The George Institute for Global Health, 2018).
- » Literature scan of clinical leadership models that can be adopted to the Australian primary healthcare context (North Western Melbourne Primary Health Network, 2017).