



David has a passion for conducting evidence-based, rigorous research and analysis. He is results driven, and draws on his background in psychology and research to generate actionable insights using both qualitative and quantitative methods. He has worked across projects in health and allied health systems, mental health and suicide prevention, commercial works and employment, engaging with stakeholders to develop objectives and progress research. David has several published research articles and a book chapter on study methodology.



I am a curious, open-minded, critical thinker who values work that is meaningful. I have a passion for data, data quality, and the stories we can tell from looking empirically at data. I am committed to working with our clients to produce meaningful and verifiable evaluations.

DAVID WATLING

SENIOR CONSULTANT



David joined ARTD in 2021, and brings six years of experience as an academic researcher and data analyst, and a consultant. He is highly skilled in interpreting and analysing both quantitative and qualitative data to understand conclusions for small, medium, and large multi-phase research projects, and communicating outcomes for both technical and non-technical audiences.

QUANTITATIVE RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS

David is experienced in the design of quantitative research tools, such as survey instruments, as well as analysis across a range of statistical programs, and on large nation-wide data sets. He has used quantitative methodologies such as Analytic Hierarchy Process to support informed decision making, and conducted both survey and experimental research.

Watling, D.P., Batchelor, S., Collyer, B.,... & Kölves, K. (2021). Help-Seeking from a National Youth Helpline in Australia: An Analysis of Kids Helpline Contacts. *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health*, 18(11), 6024.

Lakhani, A., Parekh, S., **Watling, D. P.**,... & Kendall, E. (2021). Access and engagement with places in the community, and the quality of life among people with spinal cord damage. *The Journal of Spinal Cord Medicine*, 1-9.

Lakhani, A., **Watling, D. P.**, Duncan, R.,... & Parekh, S. (2020). General practitioner identification and retention for people with spinal cord damage: establishing factors to inform a general practitioner satisfaction measure. *Australian Journal of Primary Health*, 26(3), 234-239.

LITERATURE REVIEWS

David is experienced in producing literature reviews of scholarly and grey literature, from rapid reviews – including on lived experience involvement in suicide prevention interventions – to in-depth systematic reviews to inform research design.

Mathieu, S.L., Uddin, R., Brady, M.,... **Watling, D.P. and Kölves, K. (2021)**. Systematic review: The state of research into youth helplines. *Journal of the American Academy of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry*, 60(10), 1190-1233.

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