

Layal Hanna | Consultant

Layal has a background in psychological studies, equipping her with a nuanced understanding of human behaviour and systems. She is passionate about social justice and brings a thoughtful, intersectional lens to her work.

Layal is driven by a strong sense of purpose, valuing work that contributes to ethical, effective policies and programs that genuinely improve people's lives. A keen and dedicated learner, Layal actively seeks out new perspectives and approaches, continuously refining her practice to enhance her impact. She thrives in collaborative environments with others who are equally committed to meaningful change.



I am motivated by the opportunity to work and speak with people who are passionate about improving outcomes for the communities they serve.

Education:

- Bachelor of Psychological Science (Honours), ACAP, 2021
 - Bachelor of Psychological Science, ACAP, 2019
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Sector experience: Communities and justice

Layal is committed to creating safer communities, disrupting patterns of harm, and empowering individuals through education and advocacy. Her work in this sector has involved conducting targeted desktop and literature reviews, ethics applications, stakeholder engagement, survey programming and data analysis.

- Evaluation of the Financial Counselling in Prison Program (Financial Counselling Foundation, 2024–2026)
 - Evaluation of the Promoting Consent Initiative (Teach Us Consent, 2024–2025)
 - Evaluation of Family Advocacy and Support Services (Attorney-General's Department, 2024–2025)
 - Transforming Young Families' Futures Evaluation (The Lady Musgrave Trust, 2025–2028)
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Sector experience: Disability

Layal is dedicated to promoting access and inclusion for people with disability. This guides her work in the sector, where she has played a key role facilitating the involvement of people with lived experience of disability.

- Disability Ecosystem Safeguarding Reforms (Department of Health, Disability and Ageing, (DHDA) 2025–2026)
 - Evaluation of Pre-emptive Support Pilots (DHDA, 2025–2027)
 - NDIS Pricing and Payments Reform Consultation (DHDA, 2025)
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Sector experience: Education and employment

Layal has applied her qualitative background to evaluate education and employment programs. She has facilitated interviews, analysed and coded data and reported findings.

- NSW Curriculum Reform Evaluation (NSW Department of Education, 2023–2025)
 - Institute of Applied Technology Pilot (Design and delivery phase) (NSW Department of Education, 2023–2025)
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