

Jade Maloney | Partner & CEO

Jade is a trusted monitoring and evaluation partner who aims to make an enduring impact through every project. She draws on her Master's thesis on evaluation use to make both the process and the product useful.

She has built a practice of inclusive evaluation – working with stakeholders, including team members with lived and living experience – to design, deliver and make sense of evaluation findings. Her expertise includes evaluating co-design, developmental evaluation, systems evaluation, developing organisational and complex national monitoring and evaluation frameworks and evaluations, and evaluation for scaling and benchmarking.



Evaluation has immense potential to support the public good. For this to be realised, we need to harness the value of diverse perspectives, focus on the process as much as the product, and be agile – fit in with decision-making cycles and consciously transform our practice in a rapidly changing world.

Education:

- Advanced Leadership program, Women and Leadership Australia, 2019
 - Master of Policy Studies, University of Sydney, 2017
 - Master of Arts in Writing, University of Technology Sydney, 2012
 - Bachelor of Communications, University of Technology Sydney, 2007
 - Bachelor of International Studies, University of Technology Sydney, 2007
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Sector experience: Disability

Jade has worked in disability since 2008, when she managed the four-year national evaluation of the Helping Children with Autism Package. She has since supported the development of the NDIS regulatory system, informed provider benchmarking, supported organisations to design, monitor and evaluate Information, Linkages and Capability Building projects, worked with DHDA on evaluations and frameworks for major strategies and reforms and worked with local councils on disability inclusion plans. In this work, Jade has worked with people with disability on developing approaches for lived experience centred evaluation.

- Independent Evaluation of Australia's Disability Strategy (Department of Health, Disability and Ageing (DHDA), 2026)
- Disability Ecosystem Reform Monitoring and Evaluation Framework (DHDA, 2025–2026)
- NDIS Blended Payment Model Trial Design and Evaluation (DHDA, 2024–2027)
- Redesign, Monitoring and Evaluation of Autism Connect (Amaze, 2017–2026)
- Evaluation of the National Disability Gateway (DSS, 2022)
- Evaluation of the National Disability Research Program (DSS, 2022)
- Your Service, Your Rights National Rollout Project (Inclusion Australia, 2022–2023)
- Transport for NSW Disability Inclusion Action Plan (Transport for NSW, 2023–2025)
- Wheelchair Accessible Taxi Safety Project (Transport for NSW, 2022)

Sector experience: Mental health and suicide prevention

Jade is passionate about better mental health and suicide prevention, working with people with lived and living experience and other stakeholders to improve systems and services.

- National Evaluation Framework for mental health and suicide prevention initiatives, under the National Mental Health and Suicide Prevention Agreement (DHDA, 2024)
- Evaluation of the National Suicide Prevention Initiatives (DHDA, 2024–2026)
- Evaluation of Be You and Be You Postvention Support Service (Beyond Blue, 2024–2026)
- Evaluation of the Towards Zero Suicides Initiatives (NSW Health, 2020–2024)
- Fifth Independent Evaluation (Beyond Blue, 2021–2023)
- Lived and Living Experience Workforce Data Project (Victorian Department of Health, 2022–2023)
- Organisational Frameworks (Flourish Australia, 2020–2021, Beyond Blue, 2019–2020)

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