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Experience: I am a registered Clinical Psychologist who has worked predominantly in rehabilitation settings. I have worked extensively in traumatic brain injury across injury severity in both community and inpatient settings. I am formally trained in cognitive behavioural therapy and acceptance commitment therapy and provide psychological assessment and therapy for this population. I am also registered under the scope of practice as a Neuropsychologist. I provide comprehensive neuropsychological and screening assessments, as well as neurocognitive rehabilitation for TBI. I have been involved in the teaching and training of Intern Psychologists.

Research interests: My doctoral research explored the incidence of language impairments in brain tumour patients. This research involved the development of a battery of language specific measures, as well as completing neuroimaging (voxel lesion symptom mapping) analysis. I am also interested in the role psychological factors play in predicting outcomes following a TBI. I am particularly interested in the role psychological flexibility may play and the subsequent benefits of Acceptance and Commitment Therapy for this population.

Service: I currently work for Proactive; a North Island Based Rehabilitation Service. I am a provider mentor (team leader) for a team of Wellington based psychologists.

Research experience: I have held a research fellow position at Victoria University to assist with the publication of my doctoral research. I am currently involved in the BIONIC 10 year follow up study.

Research Dissemination:

Faulkner, J. W & Wilshire, C. E (under review). Mapping Eloquent Cortex: A Voxel-Based Lesion Mapping Study of Core Language Capacities in Brain Tumour Patients.

Faulkner, J. W, Wilshire, C. E, Parker, A.J & Cunningham, K. (2017). An evaluation of language in brain tumour patients using a new-cognitively motivated testing protocol. *Neuropsychology*, 31, 648-665. DOI: 10.1037/neu0000374