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David has previously held the positions of Assistant Secretary, Health and Ageing Agency Advice Unit, and First Assistant Secretary, Social Policy Division, in the Department of Finance and Deregulation (DoFD). Prior to joining the Australian Public Service David worked in education and the community sector. He served as Chief Executive Officer to the National Catholic Education Commission (1998-2003) and was a member of the ACER Board and the Centerlink Board of Management.

He has a Bachelor of Arts (Hons) and a Diploma of Education from the University of Melbourne and a Bachelor of Theology from the Melbourne College of Divinity. He also has obtained a Masters of Public Law and an Executive Masters in Public Administration from the Australian National University.