FAMILY LAW PATHWAYS NETWORK

Barwon South West Region AUGUST 2021

Network Updates

Welcome to the August edition of the BSW FLPN Bulletin

A big thank-you to those who completed the BSW FLPN Stakeholder survey which was sent out earlier this month, your feedback is greatly appreciated.

The feedback from this survey will support in the planning of future network activities. If you didn't submit responses for the survey and would still like to provide feedback or suggestions please email me at nyoung@ozchild.org.au or VicPathwaysBarwonSouthWest@ozchild.org.au

Upcoming Network Events

Next bulletin due for OCTOBER 2021
Please submit articles and information by 23rd SEPTEMBER 2021

- Geelong
- Federal Circuit week commencing 18 October 2021

- Warrnambool
- Federal Circuit week commencing 4 October 2021

- Interagency/All Services Networking Meetings see page 2 for details.
- **Colac** Tuesday 10 August 2pm—3:30pm VENUE: TBC
- **Geelong:** Wednesday 11 August 10am-11:30am @ FRC
- **Warrnambool:** Tuesday 17 August 10am-11:30am @ Wellways
- **Hamilton** Tuesday 24 August 10am-11:30am & FHCC
- **Portland:** Wednesday 25 August 10am-11:30am @ Council Reception Room

** Venues subject to change - Covid-19 restrictions/capacities **

Barwon South West Family Law Pathways Network produces an E-Bulletin every 2 months if you have any news, training or events you would like included in the bulletin please send them through to the Project Officer—nyoung@ozchild.org.au or VicPathwaysBarwonSouthWest@ozchild.org.au

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The steering committee meets bi-monthly by phone conference. The role of the steering committee is to steer and drive the activities of the network and ensure the independence of the network.

If you are interested in joining the steering committee or being part of a sub - committee for organising specific events please contact the project officer.

Barwon South West Family Law Pathways Network
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Core hours of work Tuesday & Wednesday 9am to 5pm

BARWON SOUTH WEST INTERAGENCY NETWORKING MEETINGS

Save the Dates:

Warrnambool
Tues 17 August - 10am -11:30am
@ Wellways
505 Raglan Parade

Colac
Tues 10 August 2pm-3:30pm
VENUE: to be confirmed

Geelong
Wed 11 August 10am -11:30am
@ Geelong FRC
7-9 Ryan Place

Hamilton
Tuesday 24 August 10am – 11:30am
@ *Frances Hewett*
2 Roberts Street Hamilton

Portland
Wed 25 August 10am-11:30am
@ Glenelg Shire Council
Reception Room, 71 Cliff Street

What is an Interagency Network Meeting?

These meetings are an opportunity to share information and to gain knowledge about local services and supports to improve outcomes for people in your service.

At the meetings, everyone has the opportunity to summarise their service, and identify resources available as well as the referral pathways.

All practitioners in the local community, welfare and legal professions are welcome to attend so please forward this information throughout your networks.

Please RSVP indicating the location you wish to attend to

nyoung@ozchild.org.au

By the end of the week prior to the forum date

Look forward to seeing you there.

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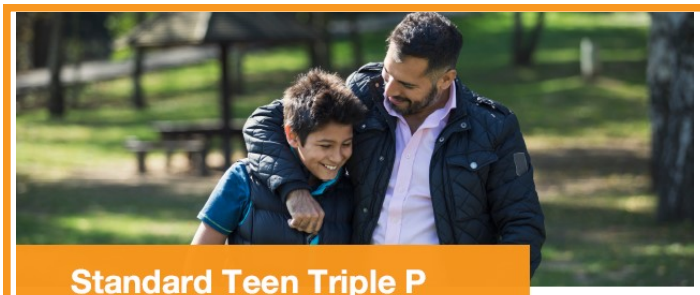
Please Note: Location for these meetings are **subject to change** under Covid—19 restrictions. For those of you who register to attend, I will let you know if the meeting will revert back to online delivery rather than face-to-face.



Standard Teen Triple P

The Triple P – Positive Parenting Program® knows all parents have different needs. That's why Triple P has many different ways for you to get your parenting help, so you can choose what suits you and your family best.

Who is this for?

Parents of young people aged 12-16 years

Is this *your* family?

You never imagined things would get this bad. Life with your teenager is a constant struggle. There's probably a lot of shouting and your young person's behaviour seems out of control. Perhaps your son is aggressive or violent. Maybe you don't know where your daughter is at night. Whatever the problems are, your family home has become a very unhappy place.

If this sounds familiar, then Standard Teen Triple may help

How can Standard Teen Triple P help you?

- Build a better relationship with your teenager
- Reduce conflict
- Keep your teenager safe
- Be realistic about parenting
- Take care of yourself

What happens?

This is a private and very thorough way to find out about the Standard Teen Triple P way of parenting

Over 10 individual sessions with a Triple P worker, you will set your own goals and work out what changes you would like to see in your young person's behaviour. You'll learn the strategies that you can use and adapt to suit your family's needs. You'll see examples of positive parenting on DVD and you'll show your provider what you've learnt. You'll have a workbook to help you record your goals and achievements

How *long* does it take?

There are 10 sessions in total. Seven sessions will take about one hour each, and three practice sessions which will take about 40 minutes each.

When you're finished Standard Teen Triple P you should feel confident to tackle most of the problem situations with your young person.

Find out more today

T: 1300 361 680
E: wrpractitioners@ozchild.org.au

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OzChild gratefully acknowledges the contribution from the Baer Family Foundation to fund the Standard Teen Triple P program.

Family Transitions Triple P

The Triple P – Positive Parenting Program® knows all parents have different needs. That's why Triple P has many different ways for you to get your parenting help, so you can choose what suits you and your family best.

What is Family Transitions Triple P?

Family Transitions Triple P is a group parenting program for divorced or separated parents. It gives you new ways to help protect your child and yourself, from the fallout of a family split.

Is this *you*?

You're divorced or separated. Your child is caught in the middle. You may have problems with your extended family, your new partner or your ex. Holidays and birthdays cause arguments. You may be concerned about your finances and you're worried about the impact this is all having on your child's behaviour and emotions. If this sounds familiar, Family Transitions Triple P can help.

How can Family Transitions Triple P help you?

- Encourage behaviour you like
- Deal with problem behaviour
- Become confident as a parent
- Be realistic about parenting
- Take care of yourself

How *long* does it take?

There are five weekly sessions of two hours each. After the five sessions, it's recommended you also do a Group or Standard Triple P Program. This will give you a broader range of positive parenting ideas that can help you calmly manage other behaviour and parenting issues in the home. When you're finished, you'll feel confident you're doing everything you can for your child.

Does my ex-partner need to attend with me?

No. Family Transitions is not a mediation program so you should attend on your own, or if you want support, with your new partner. If your ex-partner wants to take part, then you should attend in separate groups.

Find out more today

T: 1300 361 680
E: wrpractitioners@ozchild.org.au

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OzChild gratefully acknowledges the contribution from the Baer Family Foundation to fund the Family Transitions Triple P program.

Property

For many people, court can be inaccessible, whether due to the costs of legal representation, or the complexity of self-representation in the court system. The Warrnambool Family Relationship Centre provides an alternative forum to support separating couples to amicably divide their property.

The service uses a 5-step model to support your decision-making:

- Identify & list your assets and liabilities
- Examine contributions in the relationship
- Examine future needs for each person
- Use this information to agree on a percentage for distribution
- Put forward suggestions and list agreements about how the property will be divided.

Role of the mediator

- Help facilitate your conversations in a constructive way
- Help you make decisions safely, free from threat and/or coercion
- Be balanced and fair with each of you

Throughout the process we encourage legal advice. Written agreements can be lodged as orders with the support of a lawyer or by using the Consent Order Application Kit.

Note: This process is most suitable for straight forward property matters (Trusts/companies may require further support), and it is also suitable for low-value property pools.

Note: Additional information such as property values and financial statements may be needed to identify value ranges for your assets and liabilities.

**Fees may apply, we will discuss this with you when you call.*

Service	Phone	Website/email
Family Relationship Centre Warrnambool	1300 661 790	• Website: www.familyrelationships.gov.au • Email: wrpractitioners@ozchild.org.au

FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS ONLINE
HELPING FAMILIES BUILD BETTER RELATION

An Australian Government Initiative

Geelong:
7-9 Ryan Place, Geelong
Ph: 03 5246 5600
E: geelongfrc@ccam.org.au

Warrnambool:
19 Jamieson Street Warrnambool
Ph: 1300 661 790
E: wrpractitioners@ozchild.org.au

Family Relationship Centres are a source of information and confidential assistance for families at all stages in their lives. Centres have a focus on providing family dispute resolution (mediation) to enable separating families achieve workable parenting arrangements outside the Court system.

Trauma: The Body and the Brain – Module One

Introductory Level

This training provides foundational knowledge in the area of trauma, with a strong focus on understanding its impacts on the body and the brain.

By participating in this training, participants will:

- Learn about the impacts of trauma and complex
- Understand trauma through a neuroscience lens
- Understand more about trauma and the brain
- Learn about the Window of Tolerance

Explore effective regulation strategies

Online delivery: Module split over two days
Date: Monday 9 and Tuesday 10 August
Time: 9:30am–11:30am
Cost: $50
Register here

Face to Face delivery: (subject to COVID restrictions)
Date: Monday 30 August
Time: 9:30am–1pm
Where: Halstead Place, Geelong West
Cost: $70
Register here

Warrnambool Workshop dates & locations:

Living with Teens (2 week program)

A model for building strong, secure connections
Registrations are compulsory to attend.
Thursday August 5th & 12th
6.30pm – 8.30pm
Via Zoom – links will be provided prior to each session
Nil cost

Bringing Up Great Kids (3 week program)

Registrations are compulsory to attend.
Thursdays; August 26th, September 2nd & 9th
10.00am – 12.00pm
Location: CatholicCare, 142 Timor Street, Warrnambool
Nil cost

TO REGISTER: **P** 1300 303 988|
E ballaratfrc@centacareballarat.org.au

Australian Government
Australian Institute of Family Studies
Child Family Community Australia
Emerging Minds.

Free webinar

How to recognise complex trauma in infants and children and promote wellbeing

Presenters: Trina Hinkley, Ali Knight and Kathryn Lenton

Wednesday, 25 August 2021 1:00–2:00pm AEST. Find your time zone

Register to attend the webinar

“Improving Outcomes for Carers Funding Opportunity”.

South West Carer and Respite Services Network comprises organisations that provide essential carer and respite services to the **carers** of people who are frail aged, people who have a disability and people with mental ill health across South West Victoria.

The Network is offering grant funding for projects that align with the objectives of the SWCRSN: to Improve Carer and Respite Services in the South West.

Grant funding is open to government and non-government organisations at all levels: health and welfare organisations, community support groups and agencies that support and provide carer and respite services across the five local government areas of Corangamite, Moyne, Warrnambool, Glenelg and Southern Grampians.

Application is also encouraged by other service agencies that have no direct respite or carer services available, but who are part of organisations where respite and/or carer support may be accessed.

Applications **open on 5/07/2021** and **close on 13/08/2021.**

For further information or application form email vkearney@mpower.org.au or phone Vicki Kearney on 5561 8102.

HACC PYP

Referral guide for Service Providers

Support for people under the age of 65 or Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People under the age of 50

Overview

Home and Community Care Program for Younger People (HACC PYP) provides basic support and maintenance services for people aged under 65 or Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people aged under 50 who experience difficulty performing the activities of daily living. The program aims to support people to remain independent and active at home, improve wellbeing and encourage social connection within their local community.

Practical Support

Home Care

Our trained staff can come to a client's house to help with the housework including sweep, mop and vacuum floors, clean bathrooms and toilets, clean benches and cupboards, dust, make or change beds.

Personal Care

Our trained and experienced community care staff can help your clients with personal hygiene including bathing and showering, dressing and undressing, toileting, shaving and grooming, eating and drinking, assistance with shopping.

Carer Respite

Carer Respite is about supporting the person in an unpaid caring role so that they can enjoy social activities, attend appointments, go shopping or participate in leisure activities.

Meals on Wheels

Meals on Wheels delivers tasty and healthy meals to clients' homes. Meals can include soup, main course, dessert and juice or fruit

Social Support

HACC PYP social programs aim to enhance social, emotional and physical well-being of participants in a friendly and relaxed group environment. Our friendly and experienced Social Support staff work with individuals to connect them to social activities that are based on their needs and interests. Our programs offer social connection through organised community outings, social meet-ups, peer support, group activities and regular care check-in calls.

Eligibility

HACC PYP is for people aged under 65 and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people under 50 who need assistance with activities of daily living. The most likely reasons for needing support to manage the activities of daily living are physical and/or mental health conditions, or due to chronic illness and/or short-term health conditions.

The key eligibility criteria are:

- Age
- Need for support in performing the activities of daily living
- Being a carer of someone who meets eligibility criteria

How to make a referral

Referrals can be submitted directly to Warrnambool City Council's Home and Community Service at any time.

1. Confirm HACC PYP eligibility criteria
2. The referring agency must gain informed consent for the referral to proceed
3. All referrals must be completed by using the Service Coordination Tool Template (SCTT). Key documentation includes:
   - Consumer Information
   - Summary and Referral Information
   - Consent to Share Information
4. A copy of the SCTT can be accessed here: **warrnambool.vic.gov.au/hacc-pyp**
5. Email complete referral documentation to the HACC intake team: hacc_coordination@warrnambool.vic.gov.au or call 03 5559 4427

Once the referral is received the HACC intake team will contact the service user to confirm eligibility for support services and conduct an assessment

For more information about HACC PYP visit: warrnambool.vic.gov.au/hacc-pyp or contact our Home and Community Services on 5559 4801

If you want to live in a more connected neighbourhood, join us and get the support you need to make it happen!

Our FREE workshops equip you with skills, tips and tools to support you to bring your neighbours together and work towards creating your own neighbour group.

Workshops are free. Places are limited.

Register here: www.neighbourhoodconnect.org.au/projects
or call Irene on 0413 706 233

Workshop 1: Saturday 28 August 10am-12.30pm - Create your neighbourhood event

Follow up Workshop: Saturday 23 October 10am- 12.30pm
Sharing successes, tips and tools to nurture a neighbour group

Venue: Archie Graham Community Centre, 118 Timor Street, Warrnambool.

This project is sponsored by the Warrnambool City Council.

Victoria Legal Aid civil justice legal clinics Portland and Hamilton

The clinic focuses on accepting referrals and assisting people with civil justice issues including:

- Tenancy (Office of Housing and Aboriginal Housing tenants in particular)
- Disability Support Pension and other Centrelink entitlement disputes
- Centrelink debt and prosecutions
- Unpaid infringements including infringement warrants and imprisonment warrants for unpaid fines
- Guardianship and Administration orders
- Mental Health Act orders
- Working with Children Check assessments
- Discrimination complaints including employment related discrimination
- NDIS reviews

We will be in Portland and Hamilton on the following dates:

Portland – OzChild **4 Gawler St, Portland** **9:00am to 1:00pm**	**Hamilton – Frances Hewett Centre** **2 Roberts St, Hamilton** **9:00am to 1:00pm**
11 August 2021	19 August 2021
1 September 2021	9 September 2021
22 September 2021	30 September 2021
13 October 2021	21 October 2021
3 November 2021	11 November 2021
24 November 2021	2 December 2021
15 December 2021	16 December 2021

We welcome potential referrals from services on warrnamboolcivillawyers@vla.vic.gov.au or by telephone 5559 7222.

SEA Change – Anger Management for Women, Online Program

Weekly commencing 2 September @ 9:45am—12:00pm till 7 October

Cost of this program is $250

BOOK

Parenting After Separation (Self Guided)

Program Elements:

- Intake with a counsellor
- 6 modules and access to the downloadable learning materials
- Virtual workshop (2 hours, 6 per group)
- Completion certificate, court approved.

Please note: 4 weeks to complete the program.

Cost of this program is $120.00

REGISTER

Did you know that problem gambling can be hiding behind depression, stress, financial and relationship issues?

In Geelong, $10 million per month is gambled through electronic gambling machines, and in the Colac Otway Shire expenditure equals on average $800,000.

Gambling responsibly is about knowing the odds, exercising balance and staying in control. If problem gambling is impacting on your service or on someone you care about, there are free Gamblers Help services to all residents in the Geelong and Colac Otway Shire.

Bethany Gambler's Help offer a range of services::

- Free and confidential specialist counselling
- Wednesday evening appointments available as well as 9-5 week days
- Appointments in Colac
- Support for the problem gambler
- Support for partners or family members concerned about their loved one

Intake process provides initial support and allocation of a counsellor is within 72 hours.

Our focus is on one on one counselling with a professionally qualified counsellor; family/couple counselling; financial counselling including urge reduction treatment

Please feel free to call us on 5278 8122 to see how we can support you. Staff at Bethany would be delighted to speak with you further about any questions you may have, and be able to provide specialist problem gambling provider education, secondary consultations and assist with referral pathways.

To find out more, please call Bethany on 5278 8122, or visit www.bethany.org.au for a referral or further information.

Free Professional Development: Gambling Harm

AVAILABLE ACROSS BARWON AND GREAT SOUTH COAST

Bethany Community Support provides **FREE** professional development for teams and workplaces around gambling harm awareness and supports available.

Upskill your team around the complexity of gambling, support and referral pathways, how gambling can impact a person's life and coincide with other health issues.

Participants will also gain access to our free online Gambler's Help Toolkit designed for professionals.

For more information or to book a free PD session contact Lily or Hannah:

Great South Coast:
Lily Bourke
0418 667 612
lbourke@bethany.org.au

Barwon:
Hannah Martin
0456 111 534
hmartin@bethany.org.au

PARENT EDUCATION EVENTS

GEELONG & BARWON SOUTH WEST REGION – TERM 3, 2021

All Regional Parenting Service programs are free and will be offered face to face or Online via Zoom Bookings are Essential. www.geelongaustralia.com.au/parenting or Ph: 5272 4781

GEELONG REGION

Programs provided by

City of Greater Geelong

Regional Parenting Service

STEPPING STONES

Dates: Monday 2 August – 23 August

Time: 7.00pm - 9.00pm

'Ariston' 245-249 Pakington St, Newtown

Stepping Stones is a 4-week program for families with a child who has a disability. The program aims to help parents use Positive Parenting to acquire new skills and knowledge. Skills are practiced and parents receive constructive feedback about their use of skills.

THE DAD WORKSHOP

Dates: Thursday 5 August – 9 September

Time: 7.00pm - 9.00pm

'Ariston' 245-249 Pakington St, Newtown

This 6-week program will focus on giving you the tools you need to create a better life for your entire family.
We will look at simple things you can do to improve:

- Your relationship with yourself;
- Your relationship with your partner;
- Your relationship with your kids.

FLOURISHING FAMILIES

Dates: Wednesday 4 August – 1 September

Time: 7.30pm - 9.00pm (Online via Zoom)

A 5-week program for families with children of all ages. Join us and discover how to promote your family's growth and wellbeing. Learn practical skills that will assist you to improve the quality of life for your family.
We will explore how to:

- Promote resilience;
- Increase awareness of your child's individual strengths;
- Nurture and sustain positive relationships;
- Give effective feedback in a way that supports individual growth;
- Explore your family values and shared goals.

BRINGING UP GREAT KIDS

The First 1000 Days

Dates: TBC

Time: 7.00pm – 8.30pm (Online via Zoom)

The first 1,000 days of life is a program for parents with children aged under 2 years and designed to nurture parents as they embark on their journey. It provides parents with a knowledge about brain development and an understanding of how children grow and what they need.

FREE PARENTING FORUM

BRAIN RESET presented by David Gillespie

Dates: Wednesday 18 August

Time: 7.00pm - 9.00pm

OneHope Centre, 4-32 Province Boulevard, Highton

David Gillespie is one of Australia's most trusted non-fiction authors. Come and listen to David explain the workings of the Teen Brain.
Bookings to be made via Eventbrite

BARWON SOUTH WEST REGION

Programs provided by

CatholicCare Victoria

Registrations are compulsory to attend

Email: ballaratfrc@centacareballarat.org.au

Ph: 1300 303 988

LIVING WITH TEENS

Date: Wednesday 4 & 11 August

Time: 6.30pm – 8.30pm (Online via Zoom)

A model for building strong, secure connections. Living with Teens is a 2-week program.
The program covers:

- What parents need to be able to meet teen's needs;
- What teens need from parents;
- Adolescent development.

BRINGING UP GREAT KIDS

Date: Thursday 26 August – 9 September

Time: 10.00am – 12.00pm

CatholicCare, 142 Timor Street, Warrnambool

Bringing up Great Kids is a 3-week program.
The program covers:

- Building supportive parent-child relationships;
- Exploring messages and beliefs we bring to parenting;
- Understanding the world through children's eyes.

Lifeline

DV-alert (Domestic Violence Response Training) is Lifeline's FREE nationally recognised training program that enables health, allied health and frontline workers and volunteers to recognise, respond and refer.

DV-alert

Domestic Violence Response Training -
FULLY FUNDED- 2-day General Workshop

August 10th & 11th, 2021 (9am - 5pm) Warrnambool

1& 2 Sept 2021 (9am to 5pm) North Geelong

This workshop is open to frontline workers in Australia. This includes people who provide direct service and support to the community (paid or unpaid) in sectors like health, allied health, education, child-care and community.

During the one-day workshop you will learn how to:

- Recognise the signs of domestic violence, respond appropriately and refer to support services.
- This workshop covers the scope, patterns and impacts of violence; what to consider for diverse groups, communication, interventions, safety, referral pathways and more.

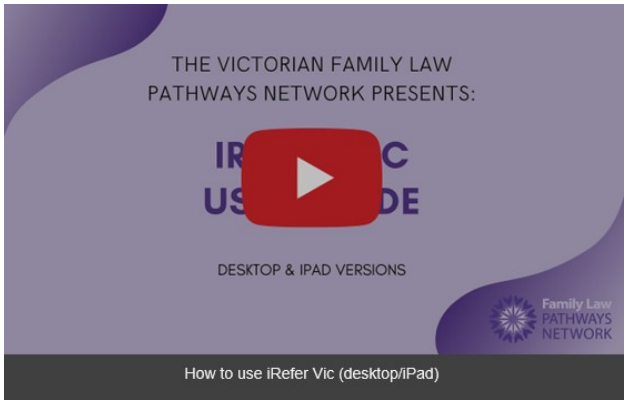
Enrol Warrnambool

Enrol North Geelong

Find Out More

iRefer VIC is a resource for clients and professionals within the area of family law to self-select and contact services to assist them. The iRefer VIC app can be downloaded on both Apple and Android devices.

The **iRefer App** aims to provide easy access to programs and services for pre and post separation all in one place. These services include, but are not limited to, Parenting Orders Program, Family Relationship Centre's, CALD services and Children's Contact Services.



Download on Google play

Download on the app store

Read more about iRefer Vic and access the user guides on our website

Use the app on your desktop

SUPPORT FOR FATHERS
FATHERHOOD AND FAMILY RELATIONSHIP SUPPORT

DadStuff

- Online session for dads and father-figures
- Monthly from February to December 2021
- 7pm - 8:15pm
- FREE

Book your place now

Support for Fathers
HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS FOR DADS
Professionals' Toolkit

CLICK TO DOWNLOAD

VICTORIA UNIVERSITY
MELBOURNE AUSTRALIA

Seeking participants for research questionnaire

ARE YOU A FRONTLINE WORKER IN DOMESTIC AND FAMILY VIOLENCE?

Currently recruiting domestic and family violence practitioners in Australia aged 18 and above to complete a 15 to 20-minute anonymous online questionnaire about mobile applications used by victims or survivors in the area of domestic and family violence.

Visit **https://bit.ly/2QDvkZk** or scan the **QR code** for more information and to participate.

VICTORIA UNIVERSITY
MELBOURNE AUSTRALIA

Note: The project has been approved by Victoria University as part of a Masters research project [HRE20-226]

You are invited to participate in a research project entitled

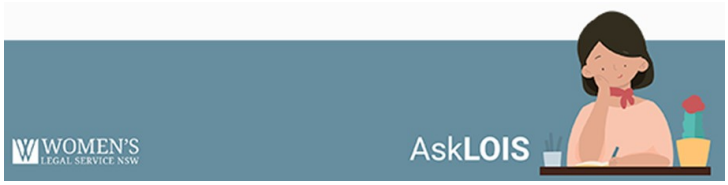
Mobile phone-based interventions:
A shield for domestic and family violence survivors in Australia.

The project is being conducted by Shnwei Lee as part of her Masters by Research at Victoria University under the supervision of Mr Nussen Ainsworth (Victoria University) and Prof. John Zeleznikow (La Trobe University).

The current research aims to explore mobile phone-based interventions in the area of domestic and family violence (DFV) in Australia, in particular the essential features in building future mobile applications to protect, empower and improve DFV victims or survivors' access to justice.

They are looking for practitioners who have worked or are working closely with survivors of domestic violence to participate in a *15 to 20-minute anonymous questionnaire**.

Click here for questionnaire



FREE WEBINAR:

Untangling Financial Abuse for Women Escaping Domestic Violence

4/8/2021 @ 11:00am

Register

Bouverie: Live Stream Online Courses

Event Name	Date	Venue	Register
Narrative Approaches to Trauma	3 September	Online	**Book now**
Introduction to Family Therapy	7, 8, 9 & 10 Sept	Online	**Book now**
Shame, Trauma and Family Relationships	4 November	Online	**Book now**

ANROWS

Technology-facilitated abuse:
A survey of support services stakeholders

ASHER FLYNN
ANASTASIA POWELL
SOPHIE HINDES

ANROWS

AUSTRALIA'S NATIONAL RESEARCH ORGANISATION FOR WOMEN'S SAFETY

RESEARCH REPORT
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RESEARCH REPORT

Technology-facilitated abuse: A survey of support services stake-holders

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groupwork SOLUTIONS

ONLINE TRAININGS

24th August 2021
Handle with Care™-Staff safety and defusing situations where individuals may be aggressive

26th August 2021
Managing Vicarious Trauma

14th September 2021
Case Notes and Record Keeping

21st September 2021
Difficult Conversations-How To Talk to Anyone About Almost Anything

1st October 2021
Love Languages

6th October 2021
Core Value Therapy

BARWON

COMMUNITY LEGAL SERVICE

Barwon Community Legal Service is very much still assisting disadvantaged people in the Geelong, Bellarine Peninsula, Surfcoast and Colac Otway regions.

Our phone number for all services is

1300 430 599.

We are adapting our service to increase the amount of phone appointments and advice we can give while working remotely.

The areas of law we cover are quite broad and include:

- Family Violence / Personal Safety;
- Fines/Infringements;
- Consumer/Credit/Debt;
- Social Security and Centrelink;
- Paternity/Child Support;
- Elder Law – Guardianship/Wills/Power of Attorney; and,
- General Law.

In each area of law we offer once off legal advice and then ongoing casework only a case by case basis.

Family Law PATHWAYS NETWORK

Family Law Pathways Networks is a national program for professionals working with families who are separating, or have separated. It is funded by the Attorney-General's Department. The aim is to support practitioners to work collaboratively, maintain strong working relationships and develop appropriate referral mechanisms, across the broader Family Law system.

LINK TO NATIONAL FAMILY LAW PATHWAYS WEBSITE:

The communal Username to log into the above is: inner and Password: circle17 in case your machine requests it.

Resources and interviews are available under the members section.

https://youtu.be/lBNmQlnR5Aw

Pathways Movie

Family Law PATHWAYS NETWORK

"Bogus" domestic violence orders on the rise as violent partners seek to silence survivors "out of spite"—ABC News VIEW

Telepractice in family support: What will it take? - ProBono Australia VIEW

RESOURCE SPOTLIGHT: FACTS ON FAMILY VIOLENCE

Every year in Australia, people are living in fear. DVRCV & DV Vic have developed this infographic to highlight some of the key facts and statistics on family violence in Victoria. These are the facts:

- 1 woman is killed nearly every week in Australia due to family violence.
- Children are present in 31% of family violence cases reported to the police.
- Family violence is the leading cause of homelessness for women and children. Women over 50 are the fastest-growing cohort.

Victoria Law Foundation

Small Grants

You can apply for a Small Grant at any time – there are no closing dates.

Priority	Improving community understanding of the law and justice system
Amount (excl. GST)	Up to $5,000
Guidelines	View

Knowledge Grants

Closes Monday 23 August 2021

Priority	Supporting organisations to improve data capability and research skills
Amount (excl. GST)	Up to $50,000
Guidelines	View

NEW WAYS FOR FAMILIES® ONLINE COACHES TRAINING

Livestream via Zoom

New Ways for Families is a structured parenting skills method for separation, divorce and co-parenting. Its focusses on teaching parents 4 Big Skills (Flexible thinking, Managed Emotions, Moderate Behaviours, Checking Yourself)

Learn more

15 & 16 September
9am - 1pm AEDT

Register

MEDIATING HIGH CONFLICT DISPUTES

Tips and Tools and the New Ways for Mediation Method

Livestream via Zoom

25 & 27 August
9am - 1pm AEDT

Register

The Alannah and Madeline Foundation Buddy Bags

Buddy Bags are backpacks full of essential items for vulnerable children. Buddy Bags can contain items such as a toothbrush, toothpaste, hairbrush, pillowcase, face washer, PJs, underwear and socks, as well as a book, photo frame and the all-important teddy bear. A Buddy Bag offers more than just material aid, it is one of the vital first steps to recovery. These everyday items help restore a sense of safety and security to children when they need it most.

The latest information provided by the foundation:

- The foundation are now packing and distributing bags across all states fortnightly
- So long as we have a name and delivery address and an order form/bag number details, these will be sent to you free of charge
- Target groups are children and young people who have been impacted by trauma in its many forms –eg family and domestic violence, community violence, homeless or in crisis accommodation, in hard times and seeking support services, moving to out-of-home foster or other care, disadvantage from impacts of colonialism, migrants and refugees with other trauma – ie you know the needs, and where there is a need for essentials and showing someone cares, you organize to get these bags
- Orders can be big or small, and you are welcome to re-order as often as you like, we will simply add your next order to the next spot on our fortnightly packs
- The foundation would love feedback on what works / could be better.

For more information, please view their website here.
Buddy Bag Request Form here
Please send any Buddy Bags forms through to:
buddybags@amf.org.au

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beyond theory

Live Stream Training

Family Law Property - Complex property settlements
30 Aug 2021 @ 9:00am - 3:30pm
CPD Points 5.5
Learn more

Family Law Property - Complex property settlements
15 Oct 2021 9:00am - 3:30pm
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Learn more

Australian Government Australian Institute of Family Studies | Child Family Community Australia | Discovering what works for families

AIFS STAKEHOLDER FEEDBACK SURVEY 2021

Help AIFS improve how they produce and communicate their research to you

AIFS are committed to producing and communicating research on the issues affecting families in Australia. Help them improve how they share evidence with you and bring research to life. Complete their Stakeholder Feedback Survey now.

IN CASE YOU MISSED IT:

Past Recordings from National FLPN Webinar Series.

Professor Jennifer McIntosh
Child Inclusive & Developmentally Focused Dispute Resolution
View Recording **HERE**

Megan Hunter, High Conflict Institute
'Flipping the Switch on Difficult People in Difficult Times'
View Recording **HERE**

Trent Savill, Complex Care
'Understanding and Responding to Controlling Escalating Behaviours'
View Recording **HERE**

Ben Grimes, Charles Darwin University
'Linguistic and Cultural Barriers to Aboriginal Access to Justice'
View Recording **HERE**

David Mandel, Safe and Together Institute
'Promoting the Best Outcomes for Children in Domestic and Family Violence Situations'
View Recording **HERE**

Rose Cuff
'Parenting Capacity and Mental Health'
View Recording **HERE**

Dr Kate Fitz-Gibbon & Prof JaneMaree Maher
'The views of Australian judicial officers on domestic and family violence perpetrator interventions'
View Recording **HERE**

DJIRRA WORKSHOPS (online)

KWP (Virtual) Sista Yarn –Fortnightly from 11am – 12pm
Grab a cuppa and join our weekly virtual sista yarn!!!
03/08/2021 - 21/12/2021, @ 11:00 am - 12:00 pm
Download the PDF flyer here

Emu Feathers (necklaces) with Wax Treasures Feathers
06/08/2021, @ 11:00 am - 12:30 pm

Miss Emily Aboriginal Arts (Canvas Painting)
13/08/2021, @: 10:00 am - 12:00 pm
Download the PDF flyer here

Ngumpie Weaving (Dilly Bag)
26/08/2021, @ 10:30 am - 12:30 pm
Download the PDF flyer here

KWP workshops are free and open to all Aboriginal women Places are limited, please register by contacting the Koori Women's Place team on 9244 3333 or kwp@djirra.org.au

FIGHTING FAIR*

OPEN WORKSHOPS

You come to us! (in person + virtually online)

Mediation + Conflict Resolution (L1)
17 & 18 AUGUST
REGISTER

ADVANCED MEDIATION (L2)
22 & 23 OCTOBER
REGISTER

compass SEMINARS AUS

SOLUTION FOCUSED BRIEF THERAPY
30 Aug 2021 (9:30) - 31 Aug 2021 (16:15)
Holiday Inn on Flinders,
575 Flinders Lane, Melbourne

Comprehensive, thought-provoking and inspiring it is effective for anxiety, depression, trauma, disruptive behaviours and a host of other social and emotional problems.
More INFO

No to Violence
Working together to end men's family violence

NTV Available Courses

- Advanced Practice - Supervision
- Case Management and Case Notes
- Everyday Conversations
- Family Safety Practice
- Introduction to working with fathers who use family violence
- Introduction to working with men using family violence
- Remote Working Toolkit
- Mental health & working with men using family violence
- Trauma Informed Organisations
- Trauma Informed Practice
- Working with the Stages of Change model in MBC Programs

To register or for more info go to the NTV Website

Forensicare
Victorian Institute of Forensic Mental Health

Working with family violence perpetrators

Thursday, 19 August 2021
9.30am – 4:30pm
Venue: CFBS, Level 1 582 Heidelberg Road, Alphington 3078
Cost: $375 incl. GST
Book your place

Working with those who commit sexual offences

Monday, 15 November 2021
9.30am – 4.30pm
Venue: CFBS, Level 1 582 Heidelberg Road, Alphington 3078
Cost: $375 incl. GST
Book your place

International Centre for Children and Family Law

Meeting with Children

A Child-Centred Approach
Skills Based Learning Online!

The MWC Approach presents a new method for child-centred practice, using non-directive, played based and non evaluative

Course duration: 30 HOURS
(20 hours self paced learning, and 10 hours tutorials)
Offered in Asia Pacific and US friendly time zones.

LEARN MORE

Meeting with Parents

Course duration: 15 HOURS
(10 hours self paced learning, and 5 hours tutorials)
Offered at one time zone that should suit all.

LEARN MORE

OUR CHILDREN MATTER:
Innovative approaches to new world challenges

9th SNAICC
National Conference
Gold Coast QLD:
30 August – 2 September.

SNAICC
National Voice for our Children

Download Program Schedule

Register Now

Tuning in to Kids

Facilitator training workshops
online via Zoom

Tuning in to Teens

Tuning in to Kids (Early Years*)
August 12,19,26
August 12 @ 9:00 am - 1:30 pm
Find out more »

Tuning in to Kids - September 1,2,6
September 1 @ 4:45 pm - 9:00 pm
Find out more »

Tuning in to Teens - September 20,21,22
September 20, 2021 @ 12:00 pm - January 9, 2022 @ 4:30 pm
Find out more »

Tuning in to Teens - October 21,22,25
October 21 @ 8:45 am - 1:30 pm
Find out more »

PARLIAMENT of AUSTRALIA

Inquiry into Family Law System extended

On 15 and 16 June 2021, the Parliament agreed to extend the presentation of the final report until 29 October 2021. The committee intends that the final report will outline the committee's views and recommendations on the child support System and its interaction with the family law system. .
More information on the inquiry is available on the Committee's **website.**

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Text mining police narratives for mentions of mental disorders in family and domestic violence events

Australian Government
Australian Institute of Criminology

- New AIC research demonstrates the potential to routinely analyse narrative data on family and domestic violence (FDV) in police reports.
- Based on a sample of almost 500,000 FDV events, the research found that a specific type of abuse could be identified in over 70 percent of events. Victim injuries were identified in over a third of events.
- The research also showed that around 16% of events involved a person of interest or victim with a mental disorder.

Text mining police narratives for mentions of mental disorders in family and domestic violence events
Text mining police narratives to identify types of abuse and victim injuries in family and domestic violence events

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VICTORIAN WOMEN'S TRUST

Applying for a Grant

We conduct an Annual Sub-Fund and Targeted Impact Grants program for projects that directly benefit Victorian women, girls, non-binary and gender diverse people.

Our Sub-Fund Grants Program is now open, from Monday 19 July until midnight on Monday 30 August 2021.

Please ensure you have read through the Granting Guidelines and our Granting Ethos before starting your application.

Apply Now

Trustees will make decisions by November.

RESOURCE: Engaging men: Reducing resistance and building support

blue knot foundation

FACE TO FACE TRAINING
Location/Times

Adina Apartment Hotel Melbourne
189 Queen Street, Melbourne
9:00am - 4:30pm

04 Aug
Three Phased Approach - Safety and Stabilisation
register here!

12 Aug
Three Phased Approach - Processing and Integration
register here!

15 Oct
Trauma Responsive Leadership
register here!

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ONLINE TRAININGS/WEBINARS

05 Aug
Trauma Responsive Leadership (Webinar)
11:00am - 12:30pm
register here!

19 Aug
Creating Safety and Connection (Webinar)
2:00pm - 3pm
register here!

31 Aug
Building Trauma Awareness (Webinar)
2:00pm - 3pm
register here!

01 Sep
Trauma Informed Diversity Awareness (Masterclass)
9:00am - 12:30pm
This training is run in two parts, over two consecutive days. Participants are required to attend both parts.
register here!

16 Sep
Managing Wellbeing when working with Complex Trauma (Webinar)
12:30pm - 2:00pm
register here!

AUSTRALIA
FAMILY COURT OF AUSTRALIA

Quick Links
Family Law Matters

⇒ Dispute Resolution
⇒ Separation & Divorce
⇒ Missing Children
⇒ Parenting
⇒ Court procedures
⇒ Family Violence
⇒ Property & Finance
⇒ View all family law matters

Forms & Fees

⇒ Application for Consent Orders
⇒ Notice of Child Abuse, Family Violence or Risk of Family Violence
⇒ Family Law Fees
⇒ View all forms
⇒ View fees & costs

Judgments on the Family Court of Australia website have been updated.

⇒ First Instance Judgments
⇒ Full Court (Appeals) Judgments

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Australian Government

FACE TO FACE WORKSHOPS

Single Session Contacts in a Counselling Context

Wednesday 22 September
Address: 1183 Toorak Road,
Camberwell, 3124
> VIEW

Introduction to Couple Therapy

Monday 4 October
Address: 46 Princess Street,
Kew, 3101
> VIEW

Relationships Australia VICTORIA

Webinar Program for Industry Professionals, Community Services, and Clinicians

Registrations are now open.

Relationships Australia Victoria (RAV) is proud to offer an online webinar program, which provides professional development on a diverse range of topics, for private, corporate and government professionals and organisations.

These webinars will provide you with the latest in high quality research and evidence-led content, presented by leading clinicians and professionals both nationally and internationally.

More information

Where: Zoom video-conferencing

Length: 90 minutes (75 minutes of content, 15 minutes of moderated Q&A)

Cost: $50 per webinar

Register: www.rav.org.au/webinarprogram

Contact us: Call (03) 8573 2222 or email ravtraining@rav.org.au

RAV acknowledges the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as the Traditional Owners of the lands and waterways of Australia. We support Aboriginal people's right to self-determination and culturally safe services.

2021 Webinar Program

Aug 18	Family Dispute Resolution - Advanced Property and Financial Matters (Panel Discussion)
Sept 15	Supporting Couples after Miscarriage, Still Birth and Perinatal Loss
Oct 20	A Strengths-Based Approach to Reintegration - Working with a Corrections Cohort
Nov 17	Mental Health Impacts of Loneliness and Isolation
Dec 8	Supporting Co-Parenting Relationships

ONLINE WORKSHOPS

Working with Dads

- Aug 4 and Dec 1 @ 1pm - 4pm
- Cost $220

Book your place now.

The Casual Counsellor

Thursday 2 September 2021
> VIEW

Managing Mental health in the Workplace

Tuesday 14 September 2021
> VIEW

Vicarious Trauma - Legal Profession Focus

9:30am Wednesday 6 October 2021
> VIEW

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CPD Resources

With a history spanning over a century, Foley's List has cemented itself as the largest Barrister List in Australia with one of the most renowned reputations for service excellence and pioneering spirit.

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We offer seminars and briefings to firms and organisation on a wide range of practice areas sharing the knowledge and expertise of our most experienced and emerging barristers.

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Click to View Foleys CPD Resources

child wise

ONLINE TRAININGS:

Managing online risks while working with children and young people

17 August, 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM (AEDT)	View Details	Register
26 October, 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (AEDT)	View Details	Register

Meaningful Engagement with Children and Young People

11 August, 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (AEDT)	View Details	Register
16 September, 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM (AEDT)	View Details	Register
19 October, 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM (AEDT)	View Details	Register

Beyond Working with Children Checks – Safer Recruitment

14 September, 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (AEDT)	View Details	Register
21 October, 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (AEDT)	View Details	Register
11 November, 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM (AEDT)	View Details	Register

Recognising and Responding to Child Abuse

2 September, 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (AEDT)	View Details	Register
12 October, 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (AEDT)	View Details	Register

Managing Child Abuse Disclosures and Concerns

10 August, 2:00 PM - 4:30 PM (AEDT)	View Details	Register
9 September, 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM (AEDT)	View Details	Register
14 October, 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM (AEDT)	View Details	Register

Understanding the National Principles for Child Safe Organisations

21 September, 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (AEDT)	View Details	Register

Building a child safeguarding culture and influencing change

7 September, 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM (AEDT)	View Details	Register

Parentshop
lifelong behaviour change

No Scaredy Cats	Online	4 August, 21 September 14 October, 27 October 10 November, 7 December	Register
Tough Conversations in Child Protection™	Online	9 September, 2 November	Register
1-2-3 Magic® & Emotion Coaching	Online Online **Melbourne** Online	19 August, 16 September 8 October, 26 October 16 November 24 November, 2 December	Register
Engaging Adolescents™	Online	24 August, 30 November	Register
Tough Conversations™ for Frontline Staff	Online	9 August, 5 October 22 November	Register

Emerging Minds.

Healing through voice, culture and Country: Stories from Community addressing family violence

The documentary is available on our Vimeo channel and through Emerging Minds Learning as an e-learning course. The course aims to help practitioners work with parents where FDV is present and support children's social and emotional wellbeing in culturally responsive ways. Explore the documentary at Emerging Minds Learning today.

View course

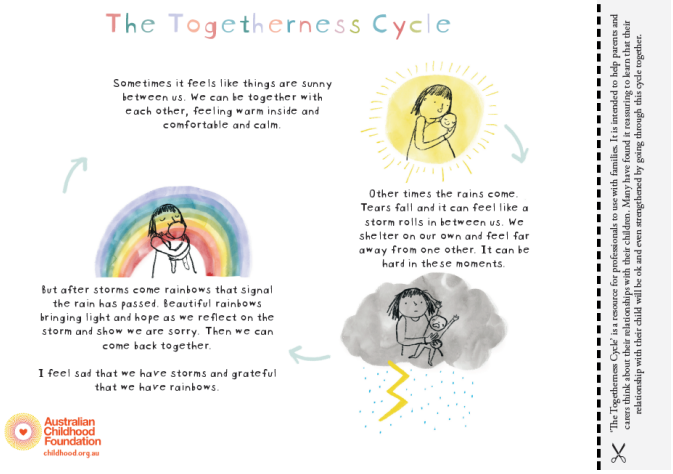
Australian Childhood Foundation (ACF) have loads of virtual training with numerous dates available including:

Tools for seeking and Integrating Children's Voices in Service Design and Delivery

Bring up great Kids (BUGK)- Facilitator Training,

BUGK: Parenting Adolescents,

BUGK: Parenting after Family Violence,

PLUS MANY MORE

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