### **ABOUT US**

Domestic Violence NSW Service Management (DVSM) is a registered charity which aims to prevent and support recovery from domestic and family violence and homelessness.

### **DVSM** has four separate locations:

- Moving Out Moving On (MOMO)
- Refuge, Outreach, Action, Response (ROAR) – Blacktown and the Hills
- Wilcannia Safe House
- Women's Family Law Support Service (WFLSS)

Our mission is to work for women and children in NSW to eliminate domestic and family violence, and homelessness, through policy, advocacy, service delivery and best practice. Our team will be part of your journey for as long as you require.



# PROVIDING CONFIDENTIAL SUPPORT

Our service assists women in understanding what to expect when using, or intend to use the Family Law court.

Your children and you have the right to feel:

- SAFE
- INFORMED
- SUPPORTED

#### Location

Level 5 Sydney Family Law Registry Lionel Bowen Building, 97-99 Goulburn Street, Sydney 2001

#### **Hours of Service**

Monday -Friday 9am-4pm

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Law Support Service cannot provide
you with legal advice.

domestic violence SERVICE MANAGEMENT



## THE LAW TAKES DOMESTIC AND FAMILY VIOLENCE EXTREMELY SERIOUSLY

Domestic and Family Violence covers a broad range of controlling behaviours, including one of a physical, sexual and/or psychological nature, which typically involves fear, harm intimidation, financial and emotional abuse.

It is important that you tell the Court staff or your legal representative as soon as possible if your children and you have been living with domestic/family violence or have any concerns about child abuse that has occurred before, during or after separation.

### THE COURTS AND YOUR SAFETY

IF YOU HAVE ANY CONCERNS
ABOUT YOUR SAFETY WHILE
ATTENDING COURT, PLEASE CALL
1300 352 000. THIS WILL ASSIST
YOU IN ORGANISING A SAFETY
PLAN BEFORE YOUR COURT DATE.

ALTERNATIVELY, VISIT RECEPTION ON THE GROUND FLOOR PRIOR TO YOUR COURT APPOINTMENT.

### HELP WITH GOING TO THE FAMILY LAW COURTS

Many women who have been in an abusive relationship can feel anxious, fearful and confused about going to the Family Law Courts.

The Women's Family Law Support Service are here to provide nonlegal support, information and referrals for women attending the Sydne Family Law Registry in relation to separation, with a particular focus on women and children who are separating from an abusive partner.

### Women's Family Law Support Service can provide you with:

- · Information and support in relation to navigating the court system
- · Accompany you for appointment and hearings in court
- Assist you in accessing Legal Aid Duty Solicitors and other court personnel
  - Referrals, advocacy and support to other organisations (DV support, counselling, financial aid etc)
    - Support around the completion of forms and documents



### **USEFUL CONTACT NUMBERS**

### Domestic Violence Line

24hr, 7 days a week -Counselling and Refuge Referral Phone 1800 65 64 63 (Free) NSW Rape and Domestic Violence Services Phone 1800 RESPECT Law Access NSW

Phone 1300 888 529 TTY 1300 889 529

Women's Legal Services NSW

Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays Phone (02) 8745 6988 Translating and Interpreting Services (T.I.S)

Phone 131 450

NSW Rape
Crisis Centre

24hr 7 days a week Counselling Police -Emergency Phone 000 TTY 106

