What is family and domestic violence?

Family and domestic violence is about control and abuse. It is when ones partner or family member behaves in a way that causes the victim to live in fear.

Types of family and domestic violence.

Most people think that family and domestic violence only involves physician abuse, however there are a wide range of abusive behaviours a perpetrator can display. These can include:

- Verbal abuse;
- Social isolation:
- Financial control;
- Psychological abuse;
- Sexual abuse;
- Denying spiritual/cultural connections.

PCLS domestic violence programs.

PCLS has three programs for clients seeking assistance with family and domestic violence.

In Karratha there is 'Domestic Violence Advocacy and Victim Support Service'.

In South Hedland there is 'Domestic Violence Outreach' and 'Keeping Women Safe in their Homes'

CONTACT US

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2 Padbury Road Roebourne WA 6718 Phone: (08) 9185 5899

South Hedland

South Hedland Lotteries House 9/2 Leake Street PO Box 2506 South Hedland WA 6722 Phone: (08) 9140 1613

Newman

Newman House 4/46 Iron Ore Parade PO Box 1 Newman WA 6753

Phone: (08) 9140 1613

Open 8:00am- 4:00pm Monday to Friday
To ensure that we can assist you as soon as
possible, please phone ahead and make an
appointment.

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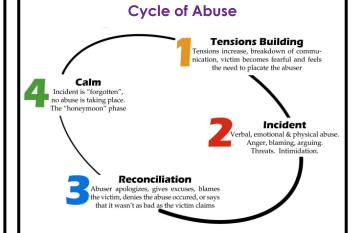
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Domestic Violence Advocacy and Victim Support Service (Karratha)

The Domestic Violence Advocacy and Victim Support Service is available to all women who are experiencing family and/or domestic violence. The service provides information, support, referrals and assistance in a secure, confidential setting where clients are safe to tell their story.

The service acts as an important tool to help overcome the trauma, recover and rebuild of life after abuse. Our support worker can assist with:

- Crisis intervention and response;
- Advocacy;
- Violence restraining order applications;
- Court support/ legal advice from our solicitors;
- Housing and emergency accommodation;
- Information and referrals to other community and support services.



Emergency Contact Numbers

Police - 000 Ambulance - 000

Pilbara Womens Refuges and Shelters

Karratha Womens Refuge 9185 2807

Munga Tharndu Maya Refuge Roebourne 9182 0800

> Hedland Womens Refuge 9173 1896

> Newman Womens Shelter 9175 5100

Keeping Women Safe in their Homes (South Hedland)

Keeping women safe program (KWS) is an early intervention and prevention strategy aimed to help women and their children from becoming homeless and improve safety following family and domestic violence (FDV). The program helps women to stay in their home or a home of their choosing, when it is safe an appropriate to do so.

Domestic Violence Outreach

The domestic violence outreach (DVO) Service is aimed at breaking the cycle of family and domestic violence. Our domestic violence workers assist with:

- Risk assessment;
- Safety planning;
- Welfare/safety/security checks;
- Linking clients to a wide range of services that address their expressed needs.

The service can provide both practical and emotional support for victims of domestic violence. You do not need to leave the perpetrator to access support.