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CULTURALLY SENSITIVE LEGAL ADVICE: FAMILY LAW AND FAMILY VIOLENCE

A panel discussion exploring services, supports and barriers to justice for women from culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) communities

Please join us for a panel discussion on how to support women from culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) communities who are experiencing family violence.

VWL's Cultural Diversity committee has a long-standing relationship with InTouch Multicultural Centre Against Family Violence. The InTouch team together with Magistrate Noreen Toohey will discuss the services available to CALD women and barriers to services and justice. This event seeks to educate interested legal practitioners about how to provide culturally sensitive legal advice.

DATE

Wednesday 27 July 2016

TIME

6.00 - 8.00pm

6.00pm: Registration and light refreshments

6.30pm: Panel discussion

LOCATION

MetroWest, Victoria University
138 Nicholson St, Footscray VIC 3011

COST

FREE VWL members
\$10 Non-members

REGISTRATION

www.vwl.asn.au/events

Do you have a question for the panel?
Submit your question when you register!

PANELLISTS:

MAGISTRATE NOREEN TOOHEY

Noreen Toohey has been a Magistrate and Coroner for 20 years. Prior to her appointment, Noreen was in private practice and later a Solicitor with the Victorian Office of Public Prosecutions. She has been the Lead Magistrate at the Specialist Family Violence Division at Ballarat since 2005 and is the Regional Co-ordinating Magistrate for the Sunshine Region. Noreen is a member of the Victorian Magistrates' Family Violence and Family Law Portfolio Committee. She is also a committee member of the Australian Association of Women Judges.



JANE PENBERTHY

Jane Penberthy has been a practising lawyer in Victoria and WA for over 20 years. Since working on the Family Violence Court Pilot Program at Ballarat Magistrates' Court in 2002/3, Jane has worked mainly in Community Legal Centres, such as Darebin, Broadmeadows and now InTouch Legal Centre. InTouch Legal Centre offers a unique collaborative family violence legal service in conjunction with the InTouch Multicultural Centre against Family Violence. Jane is the Family Violence Duty Lawyer at Sunshine Magistrates' Court each Monday.



JENNIFER DAWSON

Jennifer Dawson is a Registered Psychologist with a private practice in Greensborough, Melbourne. She is the Counselling Programs Senior Practitioner for InTouch Multicultural Centre against Family Violence. She has worked across a range of government agencies as well as in the non-profit sector within mental health, disability, asylum seekers and homelessness.

Her experience as a Psychologist includes working in schools, children's services, family violence, training clinicians, managing counselling programs and providing individual counselling. Jennifer's particular areas of expertise and interest is in supporting adults, adolescents and older children with a range of issues including family violence, trauma, adjustment disorder, PTSD, anxiety and depression.



ADISA MUMINOVIC

Adisa Muminovic is currently at InTouch in the role of court support worker and case manager at the Sunshine Court. Adisa has been working in the role of court support worker for the last 6 years and as a case manager for 8 years. Her educational background is in the area of community, welfare and counselling. Adisa is fluent in Bosnian, Croatian, Serbian and Spanish.

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