



Domestic Violence Court Support

Women's Health Information and Referral Service

Domestic Family Violence Prevention Month - May 2024

Event - Thursday 30th May 2024

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Acknowledgement of Country

Introduction of Presenter

Helem Yumba Inc. an overview

Domestic Violence Court Support

***An introduction to this support service**

***Preparation & Travel**

***Arrival at Court - Blackwater or Woorabinda**

Domestic Violence Court Support

- ▶ **Prior to the start of DV Court**
- ▶ **Identifying persons attending for Domestic Violence court**

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► **A Domestic Violence Duty Lawyer can:**

- Give you free advice and information about your legal matter.
- Discuss your situation and the options available.
- Explain what will happen in court.
- Negotiate on your behalf with the other party, the duty lawyer, or their solicitor.
- Talk to police prosecutors on your behalf.
- Help you complete a Legal Aid Queensland application.
- Give you advice on family law or other relevant legal matters.
- Make referrals to agencies that might be able to help you.
- Represent you in court.

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- ▶ **Needing free legal advice - Court appointed Duty Lawyer, and Other legal services available at Court**
- ▶ **Yarning, connecting with attendees at Court.**
- ▶ **Reporting - notes, stats**
- ▶ **Magistrates Court - DV Court - court dates, times**
- ▶ **Return trip to Rockhampton**

- ▶ Thank you to the Women's Health and Information and Referral Service for the opportunity to speak on behalf of Helem Yumba today, and for your attention during this presentation.

- ▶ Are there any questions?