**Domestic Violence and Abuse** 





- Violence, abuse, harm, hurt, belittlement, humiliation, coercive control and bullying, by one or more
  persons against another/s, is never acceptable. Domestic and family violence | Community support
  | Queensland Government https://www.qld.gov.au/community/getting-support-health-social-issue/
  support-victims-abuse/domestic-family-violence
- Domestic, family or partner and institutional abuse and violence of any sort physical, sexual, psychological, emotional, financial, spiritual has no place.
- The Princess Alexandra Hospital (PAH) says "No" to all violence including Domestic and Family Violence, supporting the Queensland Government "Not Now, Not Ever" Report. The PAH values being a safe place. https://www.justice.qld.gov.au/initiatives/end-domestic-family-violence/about
- Help and support is available Statewide 24 hours a day, 365 days a year for survivors of Domestic and Family Violence (DFV) and their family pets.
- Laws and help are in place to support current or past abuse survivors.
- In the case of a DFV emergency anywhere in Australia, always phone the police: 000

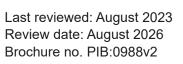


 The PAH can provide help, information and legal referrals to all patients including pre- and posttransplant inpatients and outpatients.

# Princess Alexandra Hospital is a safe place

- PAH is a safe place and can help PAH patients or families affected by domestic, family or intimate partner violence abuse.
- Many people who seek treatment for medical conditions, have experienced abuse and/or violence either recently or sometime in the past.
- Some patients have received support and help before, either at the PAH or another external service, whilst others have never shared past traumatic events and silently carry these with them.







# Princess Alexandra Hospital helps people affected by abuse



- Staff can help patients get medical, personal, family and legal support. Ask your treating team for help
- The Women's Legal Service is available by appointment at PAH for women who have experienced domestic violence or who are seeking legal advice around family law and child protection. Contact a PAH social worker for information and referral.

## Resources

#### **Oueensland**

Domestic and family violence | Community support | Queensland Government https://www.gld.gov.au/community/getting-support-health-social-issue/support-victims-abuse/ domestic-family-violence

**DVConnect Womensline** Phone: 1800 811 811

**DVConnect Mensline:** 

Phone: 1800 600 636





#### **New South Wales**

Domestic violence | NSW Government. https://www.facs.nsw.gov.au/domestic-violence

**Phone**: 1800 656 463

#### **WWILD**

Support for people with intellectual or learning disabilities who have experienced sexual abuse or been victims of crime or are at risk of experiencing sexual violence or other crime or exploitation. https://wwild.org.au/

# Queensland Health Statewide sexual assault support services

Sexual Assault | Queensland Health. https://www.health.gld.gov.au/sexualassault

Phone: 1800 010 120

### Information about family matters and protection orders

Abuse, family matters and protection orders | Your rights, crime and the law | Queensland Government https://www.qld.gov.au/law/crime-and-police/abuse-family-matters-and-protection-orders

## **Coping with Court**

This following information explains what to expect in Court, regarding Domestic Violence matters. Domestic and family violence | Queensland Courts.

https://www.courts.qld.gov.au/going-to-court/domestic-violence



# Resources



#### **Australian Defence Forces**

• Help including treatment and compensation, is available to any former or current member of the Australian Defence Forces struggling to cope as result of abuse.

## **Australian Government Department of Veterans' Affairs**

- Mental health support services | Department of Veterans' Affairs. https://www.dva.gov.au/health-and-treatment/injury-or-health-treatments/mental-health-care/mental-health-support-services
- Support if you were abused | Department of Veterans' Affairs. https://www.dva.gov.au/health-and-treatment/injury-or-health-treatments/support-if-you-were-abused
- Open Arms Veterans & Families Counselling. https://www.openarms.gov.au/
   Phone: 1800 011 046

## Department of Child Safety, Communities and Disability Services



The Department of Child Safety, Communities and Disability Services provides
 24 hours, 7 days a week advice and information regarding all matters to do with child protection.

Department of Children, Youth Justice and Multicultural Affairs. https://www.cyjma.qld.gov.au/

## **Institutional Child Abuse Royal Commission**

The Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse investigated the response of institutions including schools, churches, sports clubs and government organisations, to allegations of child sexual abuse. Recommendations were made about how to improve laws, policies and practices to keep children safe.

Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse. https://www.childabuseroyalcommission.gov.au/

### Contact us

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