

WHAT DOES THIS SERVICE DO & HOW CAN IT HELP ME?

Macarthur Women's Domestic Violence Court Advocacy Service is a free service for women and their children to access information, referrals, support or advocacy relating to their domestic and/or family violence situation.

Our service works in a holistic way ensuring that women are given appropriate and professional advice or referrals. We can assist women in the following ways:

- ◆ information about getting an Apprehended Domestic Violence Order,
- ◆ support at Campbelltown, Camden and Picton Court while going through the process of getting an ADVO,
- ◆ appropriate referrals to services that may assist women and/or her children,
- ◆ advocacy with other agencies such as Police, Centrelink, Housing NSW etc.,
- ◆ assistance with legal representation (subject to assessment) if ADVO's are applied through the Chamber Magistrate or if she is a female defendant and has been a victim with that person in the past,
- ◆ good knowledge of service available in the area to best suit the woman's needs,
- ◆ referrals to appropriate counsellors,
- ◆ referrals to appropriate and professional Solicitors,
- ◆ information about applying for Victim's Compensation and/or counselling through Victim's Services.

We currently have 8 workers and are able to offer case management. We have an Aboriginal Specialist Worker, a Multicultural Specialist Worker, a Youth Focussed Caseworker and Generalist Caseworkers. Our service is free. If you would like any information in relation to domestic and/or family violence please contact us on (02) 4640 7333.