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DV court addressing cultural, as well as legal challenges

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The country's only specialist domestic violence court has been praised as a success.. and now there are calls to roll it out nationally.

It's being trialled at the Southport Magistrates court on the Gold Coast, where families can access support programs as well as expert legal representation.

But some legal centres are worried cuts in funding will prevent them from dealing with the increase in cases, inspired by the court's growing reputation.

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Magistrate Colin Strofield
Victoria Shiel, Gold Coast Community Legal centre
Chelsea McClatchy, Bond University Law Student

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