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Interviewees: James Farrell, Director, Community Legal Centres Queensland

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Interview with James Farrell, Director, Community Legal Centres Queensland Feeney says schools have guidance officers to give students advice about their career prospects. She says some schools even have in-house psychologists. She says some schools in Victoria have lawyers available for students. She says Queensland schools could also have lawyers soon. Farrell says half of all Queenslanders are going to have a legal problem this year. He says Community Legal Centres' role is to provide legal services. He says the engagement of Community Legal Centres in schools in Queensland has been more limited compared to those in Victoria. Farrell says Grange P-12 school lawyer Vincent Shin from Melbourne will be talking at a Community Legal Centres master class. Farrell says Shin has dealt with domestic violence cases. He says making sure young people also understand their rights makes sense. Feeney says some parents are concerned giving children access to a lawyer might encourage the American culture where people are sued over the smallest of things. Farrell says community lawyers help people avoid legal problems whether they are in an emergency department at the Logan Hospital, at inpatient facilities in Cairns, or homeless shelters across Toowoomba.