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Children and Families Legal Assistance Forum

Working Together for Safe Outcomes in the Domestic and Family Violence Courts

Date Friday 27 July 2018

Venue Southport Community Centre

Time	Title	Presenters
9.00 - 9.05	Opening and setting the scene	Nicky Davies, Legal Aid Queensland
9.05 – 9.25	Everyone has a key role to play in the domestic and family violence courts	Deputy Chief Magistrate Leanne O'Shea
9.25 – 9.45	Ensuring safety — everyone's responsibility	Rebecca Shearman, Domestic Violence Court Assistance Network
9.45 — 10.30	Key aspects of our roles — Panel	Fionna Fairbrother - Legal Aid Queensland Melissa Dwyer – Queensland Police Service Shiralee Coventry, Domestic Violence Court Assistance Network Paula Bould, Department of Justice and Attorney-General
10.30 – 11.00	Morning Tea	
11.00 – 11.30	Changes to domestic and family violence laws since Not Now, Not Ever	Lyndi Hawkings-Guy — Legal Aid Queensland
11.30 – 12.00	The intersection between protection orders and parenting orders	Bronwen Lloyd — Women's Legal Service
12.00 – 1.00	Panel discussion. They said I would do what? Effective referrals Communication, communication, communication - services working well together In the court house In the court Stakeholder meetings	Magistrate Colin Strofield Representative from Queensland Indigenous Family Violence Legal Service Jennifer Ekanayake, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Legal Service Melissa Dwyer Rebecca Shearman Fionna Fairbrother Paula Bould Representative Domestic Violence Prevention Centre Gold Coast

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1.00 – 1.45 Lunch

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1.45 – 2.15	A fine balance - assisting respondents whilst focussing on safety	Cybele Koning, Caxton Legal Centre Helen Hawksworth, South West Brisbane Community Legal Centre
2.15 – 2.45	It's a busy list again today — effective duty lawyers with limited time	Rachel Neil, Women's Legal Service Antonious Abdelshahied, Moloney MacCallum Abdelshahied Lawyers Skye Worth, Gold Coast Community Legal Centre
2.45 – 3.15	No rules of evidence but plenty of processes and procedures including:	Linda Debenham, Legal Aid Queensland
3.15 – 3.45	It's my home too — ousters, tenancy implications and financial issues	Representative from Tenants Queensland Kathleen Simpson, Simpson Family Lawyers
3.45 – 4.00	Afternoon tea	
4.00 – 4.55	Q & A Panel	Magistrate Strofield Rebecca Shearman Rachel Neil Antonious Abdelshahied Fionna Fairbrother Representative from QIFVLS Jennifer Ekanayake Cybele Koning Melissa Dwyer Paula Bould
4.55 - 5.00	Closing remarks	Nicky Davies