

MENSLINE

Court Support

1800 600 636

DVConnect Mensline provides free information, support and referral for men (both aggrieved and respondent) who are attending the Domestic Violence Court because an application for a Domestic Violence Protection Order has been made. We are a voluntary service.

We can give you information about the process of the day, support services available for when you leave court, what your options are with regards to a domestic violence order, what the order conditions mean and ensure that you have the correct paperwork in place for when you see the duty lawyer.

Mensline support Behaviour Change Programs with approved providers. For those men who are taking responsibility for their use of violence and abuse and are demonstrating a commitment to change their behaviour, the Mensline worker can work with you towards a court intervention to attend these programs.

Mensline acknowledges and actively promotes the notion that when provided with clear and practical strategies to expand behavioural choice, men have the capacity for positive change and are often grateful for the chance to change behaviours.

What we can do for you

- We can provide you with information and if required telephone counselling about domestic violence (9am - midnight, 7 days a week)
- We can provide you with referrals to other appropriate services which may be able to assist you further
- We can provide information about Domestic Violence Court procedures, and refer you to other legal services

What we cannot do for you

- We cannot support you financially
- We cannot provide you with legal advice, advocate for you, or represent you at Court
- We cannot schedule ongoing counselling or 'telephone appointments' with one particular counsellor

Confidentiality

Information that you provide to Mensline is confidential but there may be times when we will need to share your information with others. In these cases a Duty of Care decision will be made and some of your information may need to be shared with the necessary service. If you have any concerns about any information you share with us, please speak further with the Mensline Court Support worker who will be able to explain further.

