Fact Sheet: Lighthouse Project

Holistic family violence support for Aboriginal + Torres Strait Islander people

Support Information + Strength

The Lighthouse Project is a project in the family courts designed to identify & protect parties who may have experienced or be vulnerable to family violence, mental health issues, drug and alcohol use or child abuse.

Risk screening - If your case is eligible (at this stage, matters involving children) you will be asked to complete the Family DOORS Triage risk screen via an online platform which can be accessed from any device including your computer, mobile or tablet.

Triage - Once you have submitted the risk screening information, a specialised team (skilled Judicial Registrars, Triage Counsellors, and support staff with detailed knowledge of family violence and family safety risks) will assess and direct cases into the most appropriate case management pathway – this is based on the level of risk that they have assessed.

Case management - Where a case has been assessed as having a high level of risk based in the DOORS screen it will be referred to what is known as the *Evatt List*. The Evatt List is a specialist court list developed specifically for cases where there are high risks of family violence/other safety concerns and focuses on early information gathering and interventions at the commencement of proceedings.

DOORS screening

- sent to you as a link from the Courts
- link expires in ten (10) days)
- takes 10-15 minutes to complete
- answers you provide are confidential - they can't be used in Court as evidence
- your answers won't be seen by your lawyer or by the other parties
- you should ensure you are in a safe space before clicking the link on your device
- if you are interrupted, or unable to complete the screening in one sitting you can save your answers & return to the screen later
- you may be contacted by a Triage counsellor after completing the screening, to check you are safe.

If you have any issues in accessing the screening, or the link expires you can contact: Lighthouse@fcfcoa.gov.au



SiS Tasmania for legal and non-legal support for Aboriginal or Torres Strait Island Adults and Children who have or are experiencing Family Violence or Sexual Assault. Operates 9am-5pm Monday to Friday. 1800 747 827 sistas.org.au

scan the QR code for more resources and support information

Other support available:

1800 737 732
1800 727 732
131 444
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