

OTHER USEFUL NUMBERS

TIS Telephone Interpreting Service
131 450

DV Connect – Women's line
24 hours, 7 days
1800 811 811

Multicultural Families Organisation
(07) 5571 0381

Domestic Violence Prevention Centre
(07) 5532 9000

Women's Legal Service
1800 677 278

Legal Aid Queensland
1300 651 188

Department of Immigration BP
13 18 81

Centrelink Multilingual Line
131 202

CONTACTING



**IN AN EMERGENCY
DIAL 000**
Ask to talk to the Police

☎ 04 05 06 55 44

☎ 0428 992 947

☎ 0416 114 452

Email: intake@saraprogram.org.au
Po Box 3032 Southport Qld 4215

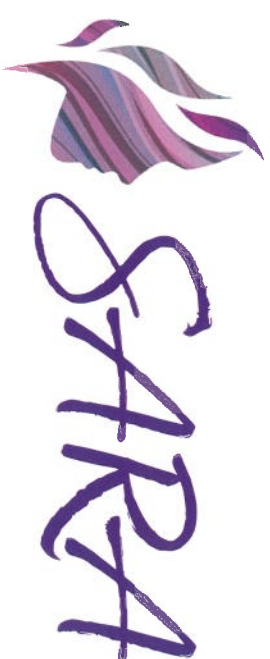
There is one universal truth, applicable to all countries, cultures and communities:

“Violence against women is never acceptable, never excusable, never tolerable.”



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Support Assessment Referral Advocacy
GOLD COAST CALD DFV SUPPORT SERVICE

The first Domestic and Family Violence support service for women from Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CALD) backgrounds on the Gold Coast

A free and confidential service for women



About SARA

SARA is a domestic and family violence support program for women and their children from Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CALD) backgrounds

SARA provides culturally appropriate and confidential support to women affected by domestic and family violence

SARA engages qualified interpreters

SARA employs qualified multilingual workers

All support services provided by **SARA** are free of cost

SARA works closely with different community groups

SARA provides cross cultural training and information

Services Offered

SARA can assist you with:

Crisis Response and Support
Face to Face Support
Safety Planning
Advocacy
Information about your rights in Australia

SARA can refer you to:

Safe crisis accommodation
Women's groups
Immigration advice and support service
Domestic Violence Court support
Income support services
Housing services
Children's and young people's support services
Migrant and refugees settlement services

We understand that your cultural and individual values and beliefs are very important to you. We will respectfully work alongside you to help you to explore your safety options.

What is Domestic Violence?

Domestic Violence is the term used to describe any form of violence or abuse experienced by a person that is perpetrated by their spouse, intimate partner, family member or informal carer.

Domestic Violence includes one or more of the following types of behaviour:

Physical abuse
Verbal Abuse
Emotional abuse
Sexual abuse
Financial abuse
Social abuse
Cultural and spiritual abuse
Damage to property

It is important to note that emotional and psychological abuse can often be just as dangerous as physical violence. Lack of physical violence does not mean that you will be any less affected by the abuse.

Violence against women occurs in ALL communities regardless of cultural, religious, education or socio-economic background.