







## **Gold Coast Family Law Pathways Network Newsletter July 2023**

#### **GOLD COAST FAMILY LAW PATHWAYS NETWORK MEET & GREET EVENT**

Our Family Law Pathways Network Meet & Greet Event was held on the 15th June at Centacare in Southport. Thank you to all members who attended this event!



The aim of the evening was to provide a networking opportunity for practitioners. We had a great turnout from existing members as well as some new faces. Some organisations that were represented included Legal Aid QLD, ACT for Kids, Multicultural Families Organisation, Thriving Multicultural Communities, Domestic Violence Prevention Centre Gold Coast.

We heard from the Domestic Violence Prevention Centre Gold Coast CEO, Lucy Gregory and Doll Bennett, Coordinator of Interrelate Children's Contact Service which opened its doors in Coolangatta earlier year.









Save the Date: FLPN GC Child Protection Week Breakfast



The Gold Coast Family Law Pathways Network invites you to attend our Child Protection Week Breakfast Event featuring socio-legal researcher and Australian lawyer, Dr Georgina Dimopoulos

The theme of the event is the voice of the child

Please join us for this exciting networking and professional development opportunity!

Time: Thursday 7th September, 7am-9am

Location: Kurrawa Surf Club, Broadbeach

Further details to come

### NATIONAL FLPN EMERGING MINDS WEBINAR SERIES

The final session of the National FLPN x Emerging Minds Webinar series is scheduled for **Wednesday 16th August**.

Session 4 will focus on cultural considerations in the context of parental separation and involves a panel discussion with Lou Turner and Julie Ngwabi from Emerging Minds.

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Supporting children's mental health during parental separation

14 June | 5 July | 26 July | 16 August 2023



National Workforce Centre for Child Mental Health



## **GOLD COAST SERVICE FEATURE: KALWUN**



#### **Family Participation Program**

The Family Participation Program (FPP) is here to help families dealing with child protection matters and the Department of Child Safety.

Kalwun FPP works together with parents, families and children to independently facilitate an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Family Led Decision Making (ATSIFLDM) process which gives authority to parents, families and children to work together to solve problems and lead decision making in a culturally safe space.

This approach provides an opportunity to keep children safe in a way that optimises families' participation and confidence in the process, while meeting any child protection requirements.

The aim of the FPP is to take a strength-based approach that is solution-focussed and engages the family in

looks for exceptions to identified concerns. The goals of the intervention are developed with the immediate and extended family and other key identified persons. The ATSIFLDM process facilitates shared decision making involving children, young people, parents and families to develop family based solutions that provide for the safe care and connection of children; "VOICE and CHOICE"

#### **Eligibility**

The FPP is for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families with children and young people under the age of 18 years.

#### Accessing the service

To access the service call the Kalwun team on (07) 5520 8600.

#### **Family Wellbeing Program**

Kalwun's Family Wellbeing Service delivers timely, effective support to Gold Coast families with children and young people under the age of 18 years.

The purpose of the service is to achieve improvements in safety and/or protection from harm and improve life skills to deliver the following outcomes:

- Improved wellbeing of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and families and safer Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children.
- Efficient, effective services for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children, families and communities.
- Significant contribution to the reduction in number of at-risk Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children in the tertiary child protection system.

The service helps families build solid foundations to achieve a happy and safe home through actions that enhance and encourage strong connections with kin, culture and country.

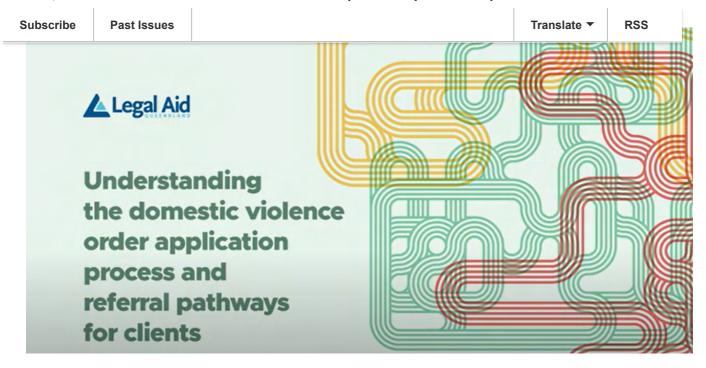
#### **Eligibility**

Kalwun's Family Wellbeing Service works with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families with children unborn to 18 years of age.

#### Accessing the service

To access the Family Wellbeing Service, call our team on (07) 5520 8600.

<u>Understanding the Domestic Violence Order application process and referral pathways for clients - WEBINAR - Presented by Legal Aid QLD</u>



This webinar held in June 2023 provides an overview of how to apply for a DVO, how clients can respond to a DVO, and discusses other referral options for clients

**CLICK HERE TO VIEW RECORDING** 

#### **LIGHTHOUSE EXPANSION - UPDATE TO THE PROFESSION JUNE 2023**

The Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia published its most recent Update to the Profession in June. This Update marked six months since the commencement of Lighthouse and the Evatt List nationally.

The Courts have also published a recording of the <u>LIGHTHOUSE WEBINAR</u>.

The Updates include important information related to the expansion of Lighthouse and the Evatt list. Practitioners are encouraged to review these.

The full *Update* includes a Case Study, as well as an FAQ section for practitioners.

READ THE UPDATE HERE

# From the Family Law Pathways Network Greater Brisbane

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**Nathan Wallis:** 

**Brisbane Tour 2023** 

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Wednesday, 30th August 2023

Registration 9am

9:30 am - 4:00 pm

Victoria Park Events Centre 309 Herston Road, Herston

Free parking available

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## ATER DIO. NAUTAIT VVAIIIS

Host of the documentary "All in the Mind", and co-host of the TV Series "The Secret life of Girls", Nathan Wallis, Aotearoa's renowned neuroscience educator, has been captivating audiences over 250 times per year to sell out events in New Zealand, Australia, & China.

With a profound reputation as a lively and engaging speaker, Nathan uses humour and plain language to condense twenty-five years of neuroscience research into his unique 'tell you how it is' style. You'll be absolutely captivated and walk away jam-packed with more than a few "ahha" moments.

Nathan's talks will be of interest to anyone who is committed to understanding the workings of their own brain and improving the quality of their lives, regardless of whether they have children or not. Nathan has broken things down into a full-day presentation:

# **Topics**

The Developing Brain – The Big Picture Summary of talk:

- Understand Your Brain The First 1000
   Days
- Engage Your Brain 2-7-Years
- Change Your Brain! Change Your Life! –
   Neuroplasticity and your brain
- Teen Brain
- Anxiety and Depressi



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