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Title

Please specify your title

Given name

Family name

I do not wish to provide my name

I do not wish to provide my name

Contact number

I do not wish to provide a telephone number

Email address

I do not wish to provide an email address

Street address

Suburb

State

QLD

Postcode

I do not wish to provide a postal address

I do not wish to provide a postal address

What type of submission are you making?

I am responding to Discussion Paper 1

Who are you making the submission for?

I am making this submission for myself

What is the name of the organisation?

What is the core work of the organisation?

What is your position in the organisation?

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Do you have authority from the organisation to make a submission on its behalf?

Please specify who you are making this submission for

Please select at least one from below

I have lived experience of domestic, family or sexual violence and/or of the criminal justice system, I work with people experiencing domestic, family or sexual violence and/or engaging with the criminal justice system

Please specify (if **Others** was selected)

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How would you like us to use your information?

Anonymous – published on website

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What is your age range?

What is your gender?

Female

Please specify other gender

What is your current postcode?

What is your main language other than English spoken at home?

In which country were you born?

Australia

Do you identify as a member of any of the following groups? (Please tick all that apply)

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Your knowledge and experiences

Numbers are reference to the question numbers in the discussion questions booklet for Discussion Paper 1. 3. Information about domestic violence in all its forms needs to be taught in high schools predominantly in Years 8-10 while the majority of teens are still in school and before forming serious relationships. There also needs to be a broad education campaign for adults. 7. I am a victim of coercive control. I received approximately 8 hours over a year being able to speak with a social worker after I'd left. I received no other assistance. I did my own research and as a result created the Domestic Violence Information Library (Australia) and also admin a support group Domestic violence support Australia. These peer support groups are the only resource that many women have access to. 8. Generally nothing on a large scale with any certainty. While things may be done right, I don't often hear about them within the Facebook groups and I certainly didn't experience anything done right. 9. Everything needs to improve. Funding, education for service providers, police, magistrates, lawyers. Perpetrators need concrete consequences - it's basically proven that no reform programs will work and they continue to perpetrate and get away with it. 10. Funding and actual services in regional areas. More access using the internet. 11&12. Perpetrators are beyond help. Sentencing needs to be harsher and they need to be kept away from their victims. 13. Perpetrators need to be kept away from victims. 25. Has to be mandatory. 27. Waste of time. No programs will help. 41. Police could actually believe a victim and not dismiss and victim blame (as happened to me). 45. More trained and assessed suitable dv liaison officers. The DVLO I dealt with should not have been in the position. 50. Yes. They cannot protect others when they have been perpetrators. 51. Yes. A history of orders against a person is a warning sign that can't be ignored. Generally, I am concerned that current laws are not being enforced. New laws may not be the answer. Also concerning me is the ability of perpetrators to manipulate laws and have them used against victims. Misidentification of perpetrators would take on a new level of danger for victims.

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