

*"As one person I cannot change the world, but I can change the world of one person."*

*Paul Shane Spear*



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## WRISC News

### Daylesford Outreach Service resumes

***WRISC has resumed the family violence outreach service to the Daylesford area. The WRISC worker is available at CAFS, Daylesford, every second Thursday for intake and case management services.***

WRISC provides support to women and children in the Central Highlands region who are experiencing family violence through 3 programs:

1. Family Violence Outreach Program
2. Aboriginal Program
3. Children's counselling

The Family Violence Outreach Program provides:

- Short term case management (0—6 weeks)
  - Longer term case management (0—12 weeks)
  - Intensive case management (0—6 months)
  - Family violence court support for clients
  - Shared care planning support in collaboration with many other services (0—12 months).
- ◇ **Intake Daylesford:** Intake assessments are completed at the Child and Family Services (CAFS) office every second Thursday. Other assessments are completed at the WRISC premises in Ballarat or over the phone.
- ◇ **Case Management:** The Outreach Worker provides case management and support to clients, referrals and case coordination with other services.

The strength of the outreach program is that it takes WRISC's services to the client. As WRISC covers such a large geographical area, it can be difficult for some clients to travel to the premises in Ballarat. Such clients are more likely to engage with our service if this barrier is removed. Being in the local area can also facilitate liaison with other services that the client may need.



*The Outreach Worker will be located at the CAFS, Daylesford offices, 13 Hospital St Daylesford, every second Thursday.*



#### Facts about Family Violence

- Violence in family and intimate relationships is mostly committed by men against women
- Violence and abuse is about power and control. The person using the violence is seeking to control their partner or family member's behaviour or choices. Using violence is always a choice made by the person using violence.
- Violence and abuse of any form is unacceptable and a breach of human rights.

## Exciting opportunity to join WRISC

WRISC Family Violence Support is seeking a reliable, motivated and committed female Case Manager to provide culturally appropriate and holistic support to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women and children who are experiencing family violence.

For further details, click on the advertisement below, or visit the WRISC website at:

[wrisc.org.au/position-vacancies.php](http://wrisc.org.au/position-vacancies.php) Please share with colleagues, networks, friends and any other persons who might be interested in this position.



# Aboriginal Program Case Manager



WRISC Family Violence Support is seeking a reliable, motivated and committed female Case Manager to provide culturally appropriate and holistic support to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women and their children, who have or are experiencing family violence. This is an exciting opportunity to join our dynamic organisation that offers flexible working conditions.

This 0.8 EFT position is based in Ballarat. You will be working as part of a dedicated Aboriginal Family Violence team.

*Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women encouraged to apply.*

**Full details on our website: [www.wrisc.org.au](http://www.wrisc.org.au)**

**Applications Close Midnight  
Wednesday 5th October 2016**



# WEAVE

A therapeutic educational group for women who have experienced or are currently experiencing family violence.



**WRISC**

**Eureka St  
Ballarat**

**PH: 5333 3666**



**Ballarat Community Health  
12 Lilburne St  
Lucas**

**PH: 5338 4100**



**Starting October 2016**

**Where:** Cooinda, Ballarat Community Health

10 Learmonth Rd Wendouree (free of charge)

**When:** 17 October—5 December 2016 (8 weeks)

**Time:** 10 -12 Monday mornings

**Facilitated by:** Wrisc and BCHC

**Information session:** Monday 10th October 10-12



## Visit WRISC at our new Facebook page!

Visit WRISC at our new Facebook page. The title of our page is WRISC Family Violence Support, or find us [here](#). By using Facebook, WRISC aims to:

- ⇒ Promote the role WRISC plays in the Central Highlands Region of Victoria in providing support to women and children experiencing family violence
- ⇒ Provide information about the services WRISC offers
- ⇒ Give contact and location information, opening hours, link to website
- ⇒ Act as a voice to encourage awareness and discussion of issues around family violence in the Central Highlands Region of Victoria, and the wider Australian community
- ⇒ Publicise and promote special events and happenings relevant to the work of WRISC.

*Like, share and comment on our page, and help WRISC to spread the message about issues concerning family violence in our community and beyond.*



## FUNDRAISING COMMUNITY BBQ AT COLES, BAKERY HILL

WRISC Family Violence Support is holding a fundraiser community barbecue at Coles Bakery Hill with all proceeds going to support WRISC's work with women and children experiencing family violence in our community.

**WHEN:** Saturday October 15, 10am—2pm

**WHERE:** Outside entrance to Coles, Bakery Hill,  
73 Victoria St

**SAUSAGES:** \$2.50      **DRINKS:** \$2.00

*Thank you to Coles, Bakery Hill, for providing this fundraising opportunity to community organisations such as WRISC.*





Last week for WRISC fundraiser at Hop Temple—Thursday September 29



## THURSDAY NIGHT BINGO AT HOP TEMPLE

*For the month of September, Hop Temple is supporting WRISC Family Violence Support. Located in Ballarat, WRISC supports women and children in the Central Highlands Region of Victoria who are experiencing family/domestic violence.*

Hop Temple is Ballarat's most elusive bar hidden down an iconic Ballarat laneway. Book a table of family, friends and colleagues for a great night out while supporting WRISC.

**DATES:** Thursday nights: **September 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29**

**EYES DOWN:** 7:30pm

**ADDRESS:** Back of 24—28 Armstrong St North

**BOOKINGS:** Table bookings recommended. 5317 7158 [info@hoptemple.com.au](mailto:info@hoptemple.com.au)

Participation is by gold coin donation per round. See you there!

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# Are you a WRISC member?

- ♦ Would you like to become more involved in the work of WRISC?
- ♦ Would you like to contribute to WRISC in a more meaningful way?
- ♦ Do you have skills and expertise which you would like to share with WRISC and support women and children in your community?

WRISC is inviting Ordinary Members to express interest in joining Board facilitated working groups. From time to time these working groups are seeking short term and/or ongoing membership. Examples of working groups include:

- BIG (Big Ideas Group)
- Finance and Risk Working Group
- Marketing and Communications Working Group
- Disability Action Plan Working Group
- Multicultural Working Group
- Reconciliation Action Plan Working Group

If you would like to express interest, please contact Sandra on 5333 3666 or email [sandrag@wrisc.org.au](mailto:sandrag@wrisc.org.au)

*(For enquiries about becoming a WRISC member, please contact Sandra as above.)*

## Thank you to all our donors/ sponsors

Kind and generous donations from organisations, private philanthropists and various grants enable us to continue to service the increasing number of requests for help. We sincerely thank our loyal and generous supporters.



## Can you help?

If you would like to make a contribution, our bank details are:

BSB: 063-507 Acct: 10042491

Name: WRISC Family Violence Support

**OR**

Donate online via PayPal [here](#).

***Donations of \$2 or more to WRISC Family Violence Support are tax deductible.***

### *What do you think?*

WRISC appreciates communication and feedback regarding the content of this newsletter. If you would like to make contact, please email the Communications Officer:

[alisonc@wrisc.org.au](mailto:alisonc@wrisc.org.au)



WRISC exists to change the lives of women and children affected by family violence. We promote safe homes, strong families and respectful relationships.

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