

Domestic and Family Violence

(DFV) Local Link

BEAUDESERT AND
SCENIC RIM REGION



BUILDING INDEPENDENCE & PARTICIPATION

AN EASIER WAY TO CONNECT WITH DFV SERVICES AND SUPPORTS

The DFV Local Link is a new service in the Beaudesert and Scenic Rim region, provided by Beaudesert and Scenic Rim region domestic and family violence specialist service, YFS.

It offers one-point of referral for patients affected by domestic and family violence, as well as advice and support for general practices to enable better identification and response to domestic and family violence.

REFERRALS TO DFV LOCAL LINK

Patients are eligible for referral to the DFV Local Link if they are:

- affected by domestic and family violence, including perpetrators of DFV seeking behaviour change support.
- a patient of a general practice in the Beaudesert and Scenic Rim regions.

The DFV Local Link can provide the following for referred patients via telephone or face-to-face (at general practice or at the YFS Beaudesert office):

- undertake a risk assessment
- provide initial support and advice on next steps
- connection with appropriate supports/services
- safely and securely provide feedback to referrer on outcomes of referral.

GENERAL PRACTICE DFV SUPPORT AND ADVICE

The DFV Local Link can also provide the following to general practice staff over the telephone or via practice visits:

- confidential advice on managing patients affected by DFV
- information sessions on the role of primary care in responding to DFV
- connection to RACG accredited DFV training opportunities
- support to implement practice-level measures to enable safe and supportive responses to DFV in the general practice environment.

FOR REFERRALS OR PRACTICE
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For secure referrals please find YFS on Medical Objects.

Mon | Tues | Wed | Thu
9:00am to 4:00pm
Closed Saturday, Sunday and
Public Holidays.

Alana Thrift is a DV Specialist and has worked in several roles within the domestic and family violence sector, including crisis response, victim/survivor advocate and court support worker.

Within her role as a Domestic and Family Violence Local Link Co-ordinator, Alana is able to work alongside primary care professionals to support people in accessing DFV specialist services to improve the safety and wellbeing of families in the Beaudesert and Scenic Rim communities.

DFV Link

Connecting general practice with the right support services for both survivors of domestic violence and those using domestic violence.

What this model is asking you to do

Be open to working with the Local Link to prepare yourself (individually) and your practice (as a whole) to create a climate of disclosure and follow a simple pathway of what to do in the moment of disclosure to ensure meaningful referral.

How the Local Link will support you

- Provide resources and advice
- A real person who represents the local DFV sector
- Support connections between general practices and DFV specialist services
- Support general practice staff to understand and develop their role in DFV assessment and referral
- Support people experiencing violence to be connected with an appropriate service
- Share upcoming training opportunities

