



# Family and Domestic Violence

## SYSTEM REFORM PLAN 2024 TO 2029

### Vision

A family and domestic violence response system that is collaborative, connected and organised around victim-survivor safety, recovery and re-establishment where all parts of the system provide trauma informed, culturally safe and joined-up services to keep victim-survivors safe and hold perpetrators to account.



# 305,400

Estimated number of women in Western Australia (30%) who have experienced **physical, emotional or economic abuse** by a cohabiting partner since the age of 15

Aboriginal women are

# 32 times

more likely to be hospitalised because of violence than non-Aboriginal women

### Pillars of the System Reform Plan



#### Workforce Development

A system-wide workforce where everyone is clear about their roles and responsibilities and have the knowledge and skills to provide safety-focused, family violence informed and culturally appropriate responses to victim survivors and those using violence.



#### Information Sharing

The right information is shared at the right time to the right people to keep victim-survivors safe, maintain perpetrators in view and support coordination of service responses.



#### Risk Assessment

Workers, organisations and agencies are required and supported to assess risk in a consistent way to inform decision making and action. This approach includes the use of specific Aboriginal family safety screening and risk assessment tools.



#### Risk Management

Case coordination and specialist responses are appropriately resourced, with collaborative practices required and embedded. Victim-survivors consistently receive a sensitive and safe response and perpetrators are visible and held to account across all parts of the system.

#### A service system that looks different to everyone

- ▣ **Victim-Survivor:** I can access the help I need when I need it, to keep me and my family safe and to support recovery and re-establishment.
- ▣ **Perpetrators:** The actions of all services, and service systems hold me to account for my coercive, controlling and violent behaviours and provide pathways to interventions that target behaviour change.
- ▣ **Community:** I see stopping family and domestic violence as mine and everyone's responsibility.
- ▣ **Services:** I understand my role and responsibilities in responding to family and domestic violence and have the tools and skills I need to provide a response that meets the needs of my client.

The work of the system reform plan will be a **partnership approach** between government, the community sector, Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisations, and lived experience advocates.



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