Other contacts

MensLine Australia 1300 789 978 24hrs/7 days

DVConnect Mensline 1800 600 636 9am-Midnight/7 days

> Lifeline 13 11 14

Beyond Blue 1300 224 636

Jimaylya Topsy Harry Centre 4743 6087

North West Queensland Indigenous **Catholic Social Services** 4749 8500

> ATODS 4744 9100

Arthur Petersen's Special Care Centre 4749 5522

> 54reasons 4749 1901



DVNQ welcomes and encourages feedback on the quality of our services. If you wish to provide feedback, please request our brochure, 'Your Feedback is Important to Us,' or use the QR code.

Online Group

EVERY WEDNESDAY EVENING FROM 6PM-8PM VIA ZOOM

Where are we?

MOUNT ISA The Old Courthouse Building Isa Street Mount Isa OLD 4825 Phone: 07 4743 0946 mbcMountIsa@dvnq.org.au

TOWNSVILLE 46 Gorden Street Garbutt QLD 4814 Phone: 07 4721 2888 mensbehaviourchange@dvng.org.au

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ORGANISATION



DVNQ acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the lands on which we live and work, and recognises the continuing connection to lands, waters and communities. We pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.

DVNQ is an inclusive service.

People from all religions. cultures, LGBTQIA+, ages and disabilities are welcome







DVNE SPECIALIST DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SERVICE

MenTER

Men's Behaviour Change Program

OPENING HOURS: MONDAY TO FRIDAY 8:30AM - 4:30PM

DVNQ is an approved Men's Behaviour Change program provider across Mount Isa and Townsville.

What is the MenTER Program?

Do you want to stop using violence?

Are you hurting the most important people in your life?

MenTER (Men Towards Equal Relationships) is our behaviour change program for men who want to stop using violence and abuse in their relationships.

Many people believe domestic and family violence is the result of an anger problem, stress, or substance abuse. Some people even blame the person who is assaulted. When someone uses violence, we ask, "What did they want to achieve?" Violence is not about losing control, but rather about trying to gain control over a person or a situation. It is always an intentional choice. The choice may happen in a split second, but it is still a choice.

Am I Eligible for the Program?

To be eligible to join the program, you must:

- Think you have a problem with violence towards a partner (current or past)
- Be under a Voluntary Intervention Order, or
- Be referred by community/government agencies, or
- Make a self-referral.

Intake and Assessment

The first contact will involve providing your contact details and some information about your situation. This is followed by intake and assessment, usually over two sessions, to understand your situation in detail

Domestic and Family Violence is about relationships, so someone in the program (not your group facilitator) will contact those affected by your abusive behaviour. This means your partner, ex-partner, or affected family members will receive a call to offer them support and provide them with someone to talk to. This is a requirement of our Professional Practice Standard.

What does the group look like?

MenTER operates in a group format of no more than 16 people for a total of 20 weeks. We offer this group online.

Throughout the program, participants will learn about the intent behind their use of violence. They will gain information to challenge and change the values, beliefs, and behaviours that underlie their use of violence and abuse.

The program covers nine themes:

- Non-violence
- Non-threatening behaviour
- Respect
- Trust and support
- Honesty and accountability
- Responsible parenting
- Shared responsibility
- Economic partnership
- Negotiation and fairness

We focus on how you can take responsibility for changing your behaviour and decision-making without using violence, and how you can use this knowledge to make positive changes for healthy and safe relationships.