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Office for Prevention of Family and Domestic Violence

Webinar 18 August 2022

Webinar agenda

1. Project milestones
2. Family and domestic violence response teams
3. Common risk assessment and risk management framework
4. Commissioning project
5. Other business

Project updates and milestones

- Expression of interest for the **Rapid Rehousing** initiative released on TendersWA on Monday 15 August, non-mandatory briefing on Friday 19 August.
- **Primary prevention** grants round released on TendersWA on Monday 15 August, non-mandatory briefing TBC
- Consultation to inform design of the **Kimberley one stop hub** commenced last week

Structure & priorities

Director

Strategic Policy - Manager

Work packages:

- Path to Safety implementation
- Aboriginal Family Safety Strategy
- Sexual Violence Prevention and Response Strategy (with Justice and Health)
- Perpetrator response framework
- 16 Days in WA
- Commonwealth liaison – National Plan to Reduce Violence against Women and their Children

System Reform – Manager

Work packages:

Election commitments

- Primary prevention
- Rapid Rehousing initiative
- First responder training
- Expansion of respectful relationships
- Expansion of respectful relationships to sporting and rec
- Safe at Home expansion

Practice Manager

Work packages:

Develop and implement Communities FDV service model, informed by the principles and critical component of the Safe and Together model

FDVRT Central Manager

Work packages:

Establish and oversee FDVRT Central including governance, redesign, commissioning CRS, Justice pilot, triage application upgrades, operating procedures and ongoing support and training.

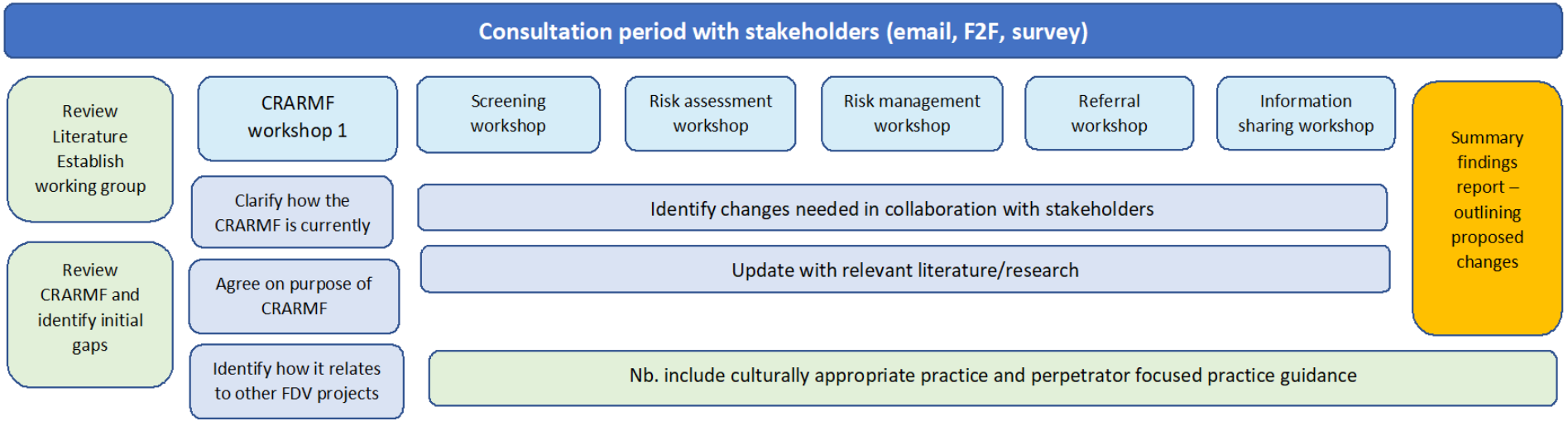
Commissioning projects including family and domestic violence and child sexual abuse. Common Risk Assessment and Risk Management Framework

FDVRT Central

- From 29 August 2022, FDVRT Central will be established within the Office for Prevention of Family and Domestic Violence.
- Priorities –
  - re-convene strategic and operational steering groups
  - commence partner meetings
  - attending the FDV CRS meeting convened by the Centre for Women's Safety and Wellbeing on 29 August

Refresh of the CRARMF

- Communities has contracted Kerri Ann Smith to refresh the Common Risk Assessment and Risk Management Framework. This work will align with our commissioning project, build on existing good and innovative practice and be informed by new and emerging evidence.



Commissioning

Deliverables -

1. a business case to Government for an uplift on funding for family and domestic violence refuges and safe houses, to address immediate viability and sustainability concerns. The draft business case is to be completed by September 2022; and
2. a family and domestic violence strategic commissioning plan, by 30 June 2023.

The **business case** will seek funding from Government to maintain existing service models. It is about providing the funding required to meet increasing cost of service delivery for women's refuges and safe houses to provide for sustainability of services through the life of their current contracts.

The **strategic commissioning plan** will provide direction about reform of existing family and domestic violence services funded by Communities (existing investment), the priorities for future investment towards an ideal state (desired outcomes) and the priorities for asset (building) redevelopment and refurbishment. In scope of this plan is all Communities contracts (service and grant agreements) for family and domestic violence services funded into the community sector and with Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisations.

Timeframes

- The Expert Reference Group has now met on two occasions, 27 June and 18 July. The focus of these discussions has been refining the scope of work and finalising terms of reference.
- Milestone dates going forward include:
  - meetings of the ERG in the week of 8 August and week of 29 August
  - sector engagement to commence week of 5 September

Business case

Objective: Make the case for a funding uplift for FDV women's refuges and safe houses to address immediate viability and sustainability concerns over the life of the current contracts.

The business case will include:

- Financial analysis of the contemporary cost of operation for women's refuges and safe houses
- Mapping of current refuge and safe house funding, locations and service models
- Funding history, including reasons for service sustainability issues
- Evidence and explanation of:
    - The demand for women's refuges and safe houses – incl. service usage and unmet demand
    - Client profiles and the complexity of their needs
    - The support needed from both a victim/survivor and service provider perspective, including why intense support is required and the outcomes it enables.

Key inputs:

- Service funding and operating costs
- Data on:
    - All currently funded services – service models, capacity, assets and conditions by location
    - Contracting history
    - Service usage and client profiles
    - Unmet need (multiple indicators)
- Consultation findings from previous sector engagements
- Existing information and evidence from fatality reviews, oversight agency recommendations, and evaluation reports
- Further advice and insights from sector and key stakeholders

Progress to 18 August

- ERG meeting on 8 August
- Data analysis
- Capacity mapping
- Census
- Commencing sector engagement in early September

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