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COMMUNITY LEGAL EDUCATION

[Care and protection reforms webinar for community workers \(NSW\)](#), 2015, [Webinar], Legal Aid NSW - Workshops, Free, 02 9219 5879, cle@legalaid.nsw.gov.au
This webinar covers recent changes to Care and Protection law in NSW. It is aimed at community workers who have contact with parents, carers or children involved in the Care and Protection system. This webinar will be held on Thursday 10 December from 10-10:30am. To register, click on the above link.

[Child protection: reviewing NGO and FACS decisions through NCAT \(NSW\)](#), 2015, [Webinar], Ask Lois (Women's Legal Services NSW), Free, 0287 456 900, asklois@wlsnsw.org.au

This webinar looks at the process for appealing a decision about a child made by an NGO or Family and Community Services (FACS) through the NSW Civil and Administrative Tribunal. This webinar will be held on Thursday 3 December from 11-11:30am. To register, click on the above link.

[Parenting plans and parenting orders \(NSW\)](#), 2015, [Webinar], Legal Aid NSW - Workshops, Free, 02 9219 5879, cle@legalaid.nsw.gov.au

Aimed at community workers who have contact with parents and children, this webinar discusses arrangements that can be made for children including negotiating parenting plans and getting parenting orders from the family courts. No knowledge of family law is required to participate. This webinar will be held on Thursday 3 December from 10-10:30am. Click on the above link to register.

[Victims support: reviewing and appealing decisions \(NSW\)](#), 2015, [Webinar], Ask Lois (Women's Legal Services NSW), Free, 0287 456 900,

asklois@wlsnsw.org.au

This webinar will look at the various avenues open to clients who are unhappy with a determination of Victims Services, such as internal reviews and external reviews through the NSW Civil and Administrative Tribunal (NCAT). This webinar will be held on Thursday 28 January 2016 from 11-11:30am. To register, click on the above link.

GUIDES TO THE LAW

[A guide to superannuation for under 25s \(NSW\)](#), 2015, [Web page], Australian Securities & Investments Commission (ASIC), Free, 1300 300 630,

This guide to superannuation is aimed at young people just starting out in the workforce. It explains what super is, how it works, and how to increase your super balance.

[Keeping track and lost super \(NSW\)](#), 2015, [Web page], Australian Securities & Investments Commission (ASIC), Free, 1300 300 630,

This webpage gives tips and advice on understanding and keeping track of superannuation. It includes information on how to track and reclaim lost super, explanations of key details on super statements and how to check whether your employer's super contributions are correct.

[Money musts before you die \(NSW\)](#), 2015, [Website], Australian Securities & Investments Commission (ASIC), Free, 1300 300 630,

This webpage lists the steps required to ensure your finances are in order and the important people in your life are protected should something happen to you. Topics covered include: sorting out assets and bank accounts, life insurance, updating the beneficiaries on super and life insurance policies and writing or updating a will. It also stresses the importance of keeping important documents safe.

[Radio plays on forced marriage \(NSW\)](#), 2015, [CD-ROM], Immigrant Women's Speakout Association, Free, 02 9635 8022, women@speakout.org.au

These two radio plays about forced marriage are told from two different perspectives. In the first play, a woman who has escaped her forced marriage speaks to her counsellor about her experience; in the second play a mother and daughter discuss a marriage that has been planned for the daughter by her parents. Each play concludes with a list of organisations that people can go to for help. Besides English, the plays are available in



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eight community languages: Arabic, Bengali, Dari, Hindi, Pashto, Persian, Punjabi and Urdu. To order copies, contact Immigrant Women's Speakout Association on the above details.

[Residential parks factsheets \(NSW\)](#), 2015, [Factsheet], Tenants' Union of NSW, Free, 02 8117 3700, contact@tenantsunion.org.au

This series of factsheets give an overview of residential parks residents' rights and responsibilities under NSW law and provide guidance on how to deal with some of the common issues that come up in residential parks. The factsheets are split into three categories: homeowners, renters, and local government regulations (coming soon). Each factsheet can be downloaded for free from the Tenants' Union of NSW website for residential park residents - thenoticeboard.org.au

[Tenants have rights - legal factsheets in community languages \(NSW\)](#), 2015, [Factsheet], Tenants' Union of NSW, Free, 02 8117 3700, contact@tenantsunion.org.au

These factsheets make up a series which outline tenants' rights in a range of situations and tenancy stages. There is an introductory factsheet which provides a very short summary of tenant's rights and responsibilities from the beginning to end of their tenancy as well as tips to avoid problems. The remaining three factsheets provide more detailed information on beginning a tenancy, repairs and access and the end of a tenancy. The factsheets are available in the following community languages: Vietnamese, Thai, Spanish, Arabic, Korean, Chinese (simplified), Japanese, Chinese (traditional) and Farsi.

[Who cares? mobile app for young carers \(NSW\)](#), 2015, 2015 ed., [Application], Department of Family and Community Services: Aging, Disability & Home Care, Free, 02 9377 6000,

The Who Cares? app has been developed for young carers (aged 12-25 years). The app aims to help young carers to recognise their caring role and seek the support they need. By featuring real stories from young carers, as well as social media sharing functions, the app aims to build awareness about the unique experiences of young carers and what can be done to better support them. It also assists professionals working with young people with information to help them recognise young carers and offer them effective support. The app can be downloaded from the iTunes app store or Google Play.

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Resources included in past editions of the newsletter can be found in our PLL Database which contains over 1200 resources and is searchable using the PLL search tool. Resources are searchable by format (e.g. DVD, booklet, etc.), language, law type and target group.

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