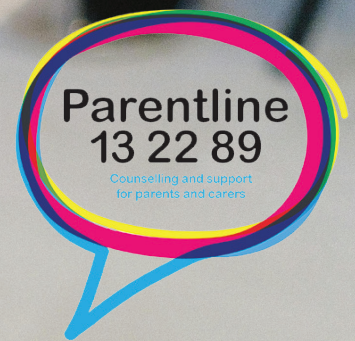


THE DECISION TO CLOSE PARENTLINE IS WRONG



GPV/KCV joins with other critics condemning the closure of the parentline service after 25 years of service to Victorian parents and carers

With a relatively small annual budget of \$1.3 million dollars, the confidential counselling phone line support service has supported up to 18,000 families a year.

KCV has referred many kinship carers to the service over the years and knows that it will be missed by them.

“At a time when we can find plenty of money for sporting facilities, we cannot find a meagre amount of money to sustain a ‘tried and true’ service for the most vulnerable families in Victoria.”

Anne McLeish
Director KCV