

FAMILIES INVOLVED WITH CHILD PROTECTION CAN ACCESS FREE, INDEPENDENT, AND CONFIDENTIAL SUPPORT NO MATTER WHERE THEY LIVE



Families involved with Child Protection have greater support than ever before, with Victoria Legal Aid's **Independent Family Advocacy and Support (IFAS)** service now available everywhere across the state.

Independent Family Advocacy and Support is a service that provides non-legal advocacy and support to parents and primary carers who are involved in the child protection system at the early stages. Advocates work with you to identify your needs, how to get there and support you to understand your rights and responsibilities in the system.

IFAS connects parents and primary carers with dedicated, independent advocates who help them understand their rights

and responsibilities, communicate with Child Protection and identify goals for their children's care.

Free, confidential and voluntary, IFAS is not a legal service, but can refer people to legal advice and other supports if needed.

Call IFAS for free 1800 849 200 (10 am to 4 pm, Monday to Friday (excluding public holidays)).

You can also email IFAScontact@vla.vic.gov.au

<https://www.legalaid.vic.gov.au/independent-family-advocacy-and-support-available-across-victoria>

Kinship Carers
VICTORIA
Resources



Telephone: 0499 969 234
Email: admin@kinshipcarersvictoria.org
Website: <https://kinshipcarersvictoria.org/>