

CALD communities: Early intervention is the way to go

Showcasing good practice and methodology for delivering Community Legal Education (CLE) to CALD communities.

VENUE Lionel Murphy Centre, 360 Queen St, Melbourne

DATE Wednesday 20 July 2011

TIME 9 am for a 9.15 start

There is an emphasis by the government for early intervention strategies to:

- address legal problems occurring
- prevent duplication where possible and allocate resources to meet needs effectively
- develop innovative new programs and approaches to ensure CALD communities are fully informed of their rights and responsibilities under the law in Australia.

This forum will not only be invaluable to workers in the legal sector, but for managers and caseworkers who work with CALD and emerging communities.

Program

9.15 am **Feature presentation: Building a bridge between settlement services and justice**

Katie Fraser, Project Coordinator, National CLE Strategy for New Arrivals
Monica Ferrari, Victoria Legal Aid

10.30 am **Showcase**

Victoria Legal Aid:

- CLE with newly arrived communities in Shepparton, Angela Costi and Erin Wilkinson
- Space Invaders, Michele Lee
- Prioritising languages for translation and engagement, Sabina Crawley

Moreland CLC:

- Family Law and Grandparents Project, Carmen Tommasi

AMES:

- The Settlement Information Officers Program, Stephen Pollard

Springvale Monash Legal Service:

- Visioning Justice – working with young people from diverse backgrounds in the justice system, Bec Smith

Department of Justice:

- Justice for refugees, Samia Baho

12.15 pm **Way forward: VLAF's role**

Simon Roberts

12.30 pm **Lunch**

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