

You Are Not Alone research project calls for service users to participate in focus group

The Centre for Non-Violence developed the You Are Not Alone campaign in response to the premise that 'the safest place to be is at home during the COVID-19 pandemic'.

In the early months of the pandemic, many health and welfare professionals, including practitioners at the Centre for Non-Violence, were concerned about an imminent rise in family and domestic violence as the pandemic unfolded. We knew that women were in lockdown at home with their partner and were unable to seek help.

CNV has partnered with La Trobe University to conduct a research project about the lived experience of delivering and receiving services during the COVID-19 pandemic.

We are interested in talking with clients who reached out for and/or accessed support from CNV during the COVID-19 pandemic and lockdowns:

- Lockdown 2: July-October 2020 (111 days)
- Lockdown 3: February 2021 (5 days)
- Lockdown 4: May-June 2021 (14 days)

We want to hear service users' experiences of working with CNV during this time.

In this research, we aim to better understand the lived experience and work out how we can better design services and systems responsive to needs.

Face-to-face focus groups are scheduled on 8 August 2023 from 10am-12pm with lunch provided. Participation will be acknowledged with a gift card and supported with transport/travel and childcare costs.

If you are interested in participating or would like to find out more about this project, please email communications@cnv.org.au.