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**No To Violence incorporating the Men's Referral Service is thrilled to hear federal government will reverse funding cuts to Community Legal Centres**

On Monday April 24, 2017 it was announced that the federal government will reverse funding cuts to Community Legal Centres Australia-wide.

Quotes attributable to our CEO Jacqui Watt:

*"From a men's family violence service perspective, we realise how important accessible legal services are for women and children escaping violent and abusive relationships. Accessible legal services are important for men too – particularly for those who are perpetrating family violence and require frank legal advice. We often hear from men that they don't understand the requirements of Intervention Orders (IVOs), and what may happen if they breach them and various other crimes under the Family Law Act."*

*"We made it clear how appalled we were at the significant cuts to CLCs, and it seems the federal government have listened closely. We're a step closer to fully integrated family violence support services for women and children."*

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