

Program details

There is no charge for participating in the **Reconnecting** program.

Men wanting to take part in this program will have already participated in a Men's Behaviour Change Program.

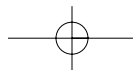
A minimum requirement for participation is attaining the mother's consent for their children's involvement in the program.

The program will be conducted by:

Relationships Australia (Vic)
1st Floor, Harvester Centre
4 Devonshire Road, Sunshine 3020

The program will aim to be flexible in regards to your availability, and we will try to offer both day and evening times.

Your privacy is important and will be respected.



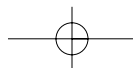
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 - Family violence prevention programs
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A program that's helping dads to
reconnect with their kids *of all ages*

Reconnecting



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About Reconnecting

Family violence impairs relationships between dads and their kids.

You may be separated from your children, perhaps with access arrangements in place, or maybe you have reconciled with your partner and remain in the family.

Whatever your circumstances, the relationship you have with your children now and in the future is what's important.

Reconnecting is a program specifically designed to help you and your children to 'reconnect' after being affected by family violence.

The program can assist you to...

- **Build** positive ongoing relationships with your children
- **Restore** your parenting role with your children
- **Understand** what your children might be feeling, and their needs in relation to the impact of family violence
- **Improve** the outcomes for your children
- **Minimise** the harmful effects of family violence.

How we can help

Relationships Australia (Vic) has a long history of working with families who have been affected by family violence.

We aim to help families move forward by providing an environment that is safe, supportive, educative and non-judgemental.

Our most important objectives are to keep women, men and children safe, and to strengthen family relationships.

Delivered by highly skilled, trained and experienced staff, the **Reconnecting** program includes six, one-hour sessions.

Where mothers consent to their children participating in the Program, children will be invited to attend with their families.

The program will assess children's needs and offer age appropriate activities.

With the dad's consent, the mother will be given general feedback on the progress of the program.

Group introduction sessions may also be provided

Reconnecting offers you...

- **Assistance** to rebuild your relationship with your children
- **Education** about your children's needs and their experiences in relation to family violence
- **Strategies and skills** to help you relate more positively with your children
- **Ways** to repair the negative impact of family violence
- **Confidential support** for you and your family.

