

CLCNSW May Quarterly Program
Monday 16th May – Wednesday 17th May 2016
Registrations for May Quarterly closes 29th April 2016

Yarn Up Day
Monday 16th May 2016

Venue	TBA
Session time	9:00am – 4:00pm
Convenor	Zachary Armytage, CLCNSW
Session description	<i>A forum for Aboriginal workers in the Community Legal Sector to share their experience</i>

CLCNSW Board Meeting
Monday 16th May 2016

Venue	Ashurst, Level 11, 5 Martin Place Sydney
Session time	3:45pm – 6:45 PM
Convenor	Nassim Arrage, Chairperson
Session description	<i>Board meeting of CLCNSW board</i>

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**May Quarterly Day One
Tuesday 17th May 2016
VENUE: ACON 414 Elizabeth St Surry Hills**

AM Day 1 Sessions 1	9:15am – 10:40pm
1.1 <u>Committee meeting:</u> Domestic Violence & Victims Comp Committee	Convenors: Teresa Rubio, Hawkesbury Nepean CLC; Alicia Jillard, WLSNSW Description: <i>This network meeting addresses issues affecting DV/VC policies and legislations and making recommendations to govt and non govt agencies</i>
1.2 <u>Committee meeting:</u> Coordinators / Directors / Sector Development C'ttee	Convenors: Fia Norton, Northern Rivers CLC Joanna Shulman, Redfern LC Description: <i>This committee is responsible for developing and supporting initiatives to further the effectiveness of CLCs.</i>
1.3 <u>Network Meeting:</u> Employment Lawyers Network	Convenors: Maria Nawaz, Kingsford LC Annette van Gent, Marrickville LC Description: <i>This network brings Employment lawyers together to discuss current issues in relation to employment and discrimination law.</i>
1.4 <u>Network Meeting:</u> Aboriginal Legal Access Program	Convenor: Zachary Armytage, CLCNSW Description: <i>This network supports CLCs operating Aboriginal legal access type programs by sharing experience and knowledge</i>

**Welcome to Country 10:40 – 10:45
CLCNSW welcome & Morning Tea 10:45 – 11:00**

AM Day 1 Sessions 2	11:00 – 12:30
2.1 <u>Committee Meeting:</u> Professional Indemnity Insurance Committee (PII)	Convenor: Ken Beilby, Northern Rivers CLC Description: <i>The PII committee is responsible for monitoring and supporting members compliance with the Risk Management Guide and to inform members of other relevant legal practice issues. It is a condition of CLCNSW membership that the Principal Solicitor (or their delegate) attend the meeting. The meeting is also open to any CLC members.</i>
2.2 <u>Network Meeting</u> CLC Care Partner Project & Care & Protection Network (closed meeting)	Facilitator: Helen Campbell, WLSNSW A/Convenor: Liz Snell WLSNSW Description: <i>Open to CLC members only this network shares experiences and discusses issues arising in the CLC care partner project and also discusses law reform and policy issues in care and protection.</i>
2.3 <u>Professional development:</u> Tax for NFPs	Presenter: Morri Young, Accounting for Good Description: <i>Non-profit entities are required to report to a number of agencies, on a regular basis, about their financial and governance status. This session will review the responsibilities of non-profit board members to be compliant, and also know what to ask for when reviewing their own financial position to protect against insolvency. *Governance friendly – directly relevant to board members</i>
2.4 <u>Professional development:</u> Asylum Seekers and the Law	Presenter: Katie Wrigley, Principal Solicitor Refugee Advice and Case work Service (RACS) Description: <i>An update on immigration law affecting asylum seekers, open to all CLC volunteers and staff.</i>

Lunch 12:30 – 1:15

PM Day 1 Sessions 3	1:15 – 2:30
3.1 <u>Networking group:</u> Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Rights Working Gp	Convenor: Zachary Armytage, CLCNSW Description: <i>Open to all, this group works on Law Reform issues for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders and on capacity building in the sector.</i>
3.2 <u>Professional Development :</u> Award Modernisation	Presenter 1 : Jobs Australia Description: <i>JA provides an update on the SCHADS Modern Award review an update on IR/HR matters requested by JA members & JA services</i> Presenter 2: ASU Description: <i>Update from ASU re modern award</i>
3.3 <u>Professional development: Court Appearances</u>	Presenter: Dr Christos Mantziaris, Barrister St James Chambers (9223 0185) Description: <i>Making court appearances and presenting cases in different jurisdictions. The session will cover both etiquette and procedure</i>
3.4 <u>Organisational development: Innovation and sustainability 1</u>	Facilitator: Tracey Howe CEO NCOSS Description: <i>Tracy recently completed a Certificate in Making Your Organisation Innovative at the Judge Business School, Cambridge University, and sits on the NSW Government's Social Impact Investment Expert Advisory Group. She will share her experience and knowledge to assist CLCs to understand how they can tap into Collective Impact. Suitable for CLC board members and staff</i> <i>*Governance friendly – directly relevant to board members</i>

Afternoon tea 2:30 – 2:45

PM Day 1 Sessions 4	2:45 – 4:00 pm
4.1 <u>Committee meeting:</u> Regional Rural Remote Issues Committee (RRR)	Convenor: Kim Richardson Hunter CLC Description: <i>This committee is open to any RRR members to discuss issues for service delivery and sustainability for CLCs operating regionally and remotely.</i>
4.2 <u>Committee meeting:</u> Law reform & Policy	Convenors: Martin Barker, Marrickville CLC; Ruby Taylor, Hunter CLC; Financial Rights Centre(TBA), Redfern Legal Centre (TBA) Description: <i>This committee is responsible for developing and responding to state and federal policies and advocating for the policies and related changes</i>
4.3 <u>Professional Development:</u> Program Evaluation	Presenter: Maria Karras, Senior Researcher, Law and Justice Foundation Description: <i>Maria draws on 20 years of social research and evaluation in the legal sector to share how CLC initiatives can be evaluated in a realistic and worthwhile way</i>
4.4 <u>Organisation development:</u> Innovation & sustainability 2	Speaker: Luke Geary <i>Salvos Legal</i> Description: <i>Luke Geary created a new model of legal practice with Salvos Legal that filled a growing gap in a stretched legal aid system. He will discuss his experience of setting up and running a legal practice with a strong vision of service to those who can't afford legal fees.</i>
PM Day 1 Sessions 5	4:00 – 5PM
4.1 <u>Network meeting:</u> NACLCL Animal Law Network	Convenor: Emma Davies, Animal Defenders office Description: <i>This network is open to all CLC staff who are practising or interested in animal law issues.</i>
4.2 <u>Network Meeting:</u> Family Relationships Centres / Community Legal Centres	Convenor: Helen Taranto, Principle Solicitor, Macquarie Legal Centre Descriptor: <i>Open to CLC staff working with family law, this network aims to strengthen the connections between Family Relationship Centres and CLCs.</i>
4.3 <u>Network Meeting:</u> Admin/Finance Group	Convenors: Leanne Hosking, Central Coast CLC; Julie Vitnell, Hunter CLC Description: <i>This network is responsible for supporting CLC administration and finance officers and to share relevant systems information and associated policies.</i>
4.4 <u>Professional development:</u> Strategic Law reform	Facilitator: Bruce Knobloch, Member Services Officer, CLCNSW Description: <i>Talking to your local politician - practical tips and examples for how to strengthen your approach to your local MP.</i>

**May Quarterly Day Two
Wednesday 18th May 2016
VENUE: ACON 414 Elizabeth St Surry Hills**

AM Day 2 Sessions 1	9:15am – 10:45pm
5.1 <u>Network meeting:</u> Community Legal Education Workers	Convenors: Bronwyn Ambrogetti, Hunter CLC; Nalika Padmasena, Seniors Rights Service; Pat Joyce, SRS Description: <i>Open to all CLC workers, this network shares practice and experience in providing community legal education</i>
5.2 <u>Network Meeting:</u> Technology and Communications	Convenors: Drew McCrae (Financial Rights Legal Centre), Leo Patterson Ross (Tenants Union) Description: <i>For CLC staff responsible for and interested in technology and communications in their centre to share current issues, exchange information and make suggestions to strengthen sector IT and communications.</i>
5.3 <u>Professional Development:</u> Dealing with Difficult Clients	Presenter: Robyn Brady is a Mental Health Accredited Social Worker in Private Practice who specialises in legal settings Description: <i>Turning Clients into Customers – dealing with tricky behaviours Suitable for all client facing CLC staff</i>
5.4 <u>Professional development:</u> Parliamentary Submissions Part 1	Presenters: Teresa McMichael, Director, and Vanessa Viaggio, Principal Council Officer - Upper House Committees, Parliament of NSW Descriptor: <i>This session will assist CLCs to enhance engagement with parliamentary committees, and will include discussion about effective submission drafting, and preparing to appear as a witness before a parliamentary committee.</i>

Morning Tea 10:45 – 11:00

AM Day 2 Sessions 2	11:00 – 12:30
6.1 <u>Network meeting:</u> Prisoners Rights Working Group	Convenors: Carolyn Jones, WLSNSW; Pat O'Callaghan, Western CLC Description: <i>For CLC staff who visit clients in prison, work for, or have an interest in prisoners rights to share their experience, discuss current issues and contribute to policy development</i>
6.2 <u>Professional Development:</u> Dealing with Conflict in the Workplace	Presenter: Robyn Brady is a Mental Health Accredited Social Worker in Private Practice who specialises in legal settings Description: <i>Robin will present a practical approach to managing and repairing conflict in the workplace. Suitable for all staff who want to improve their people management skills</i>
6.3 <u>Professional development:</u> Parliamentary Submissions Part 2	Presenters: Teresa McMichael, Director, and Vanessa Viaggio, Principal Council Officer - Upper House Committees, Parliament of NSW Descriptor: <i>This session continues from the earlier 9:15 – 10:45 session.</i>
6.4 <u>Professional development:</u> <i>Creating a culturally safe workplace</i>	Presenters: Panel of staff from 3 CLCs and Zac Armytage CLCNSW Description: <i>Staff from 3 CLCs share their stories about creating culturally safe workplaces</i>

Lunch 12:30 – 1:30

PM Day 2 Sessions 3 &4	1:30 – 5:00
7.1 CLC Sector Wide Forum 1:30 – 2:45	Convenor: Al McEwin, CEO CLCNSW Description: <i>Member discussion on proposed CLCNSW constitutional changes.</i>

Afternoon tea 2:45 – 3:00

7.2 CLC Sector Wide Forum 3:00 – 4:15	Convenor: Al McEwin, CEO CLCNSW Description: <i>Member discussion on CLC funding priorities</i>
6.4 CLCNSW General Meeting 4:30 - 5:00	Chair Nassim Arrage, Central Coast CLC Description: <i>All members are required to attend CLCNSW General Meetings as a requirement of their funding agreement</i>