**Innovation, Compassion and Connection – Identifying new ways of addressing family and domestic violence in regional WA**

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Genuine collaboration is front and centre of the ‘Vital Change Programs’, a series of projects under the Pilbara Family and Domestic Violence Network (PFDVN). This network of local family and domestic violence services, government agencies, state peak bodies and resource sector representatives work together to identify novel ways of addressing family and domestic violence. WACOSS, Communicare and WA Centre for Rural Health have forged their own path, with seed funding from BHP, to implement a range of projects with the intention to fulfill the Network’s vision – “Pilbara families live free from harm and are safe within their homes and communities”. It is widely accepted that COVID-19 brought increased risk, exacerbating the occurrence and severity of family and domestic violence, nationally and locally. However, it also presented an opportunity to move away from the fractured, siloed framework that we were dependent upon, towards working in unison to achieve things that would otherwise not have been achieved by any one organisation. Join Celeste, Robyn and Rohan to hear how services across an expansive region have come together to achieve some significant milestones in as little as six months. Activating people’s strengths, following the energy and identifying underlying causes has created the momentum needed for system-level change.