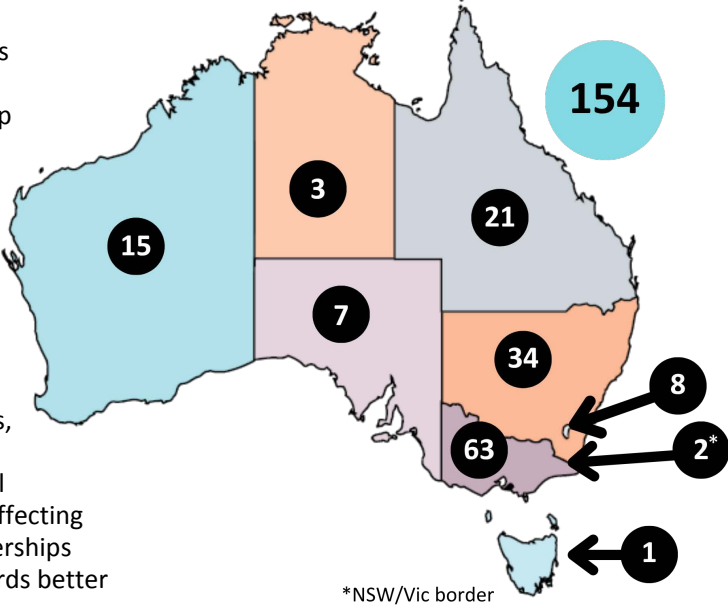


Health justice landscape

June 2026 snapshot

Health Justice Australia has identified 154 health justice partnerships operating across Australia. These partnerships provide access to legal help through a range of health and community services and settings. Health justice partnership lawyers support clients with legal issues that can affect health, wellbeing and everyday life, including credit, debt, fines, social security, housing, family law, family violence, crime and discrimination.

Health justice partnerships vary considerably in their structure and setting. They work with a wide range of people and communities, including those experiencing family violence or elder abuse, people experiencing mental health and/or alcohol and other drug related issues, young people and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. By working together, health, community and legal services can better respond to the interconnected issues affecting the people and families they support. Health justice partnerships strengthen practitioners' capability to work together towards better outcomes for their patients and clients.



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services involve
Aboriginal
Community
Controlled Health or
Community
Organisations

Health settings

60 services are present in hospitals
37 in community settings
48 in primary health settings (other than Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander health services)

Legal partners

32 partnerships involve legal aid commissions
118 involve generalist or specialist community legal centres
5 involve other types of legal services



104 services target those experiencing or at risk of domestic and family violence



38 services target those experiencing mental health issues or addiction

Note a partnership may involve multiple types of health and legal partners, may be present in multiple types of settings and may target multiple groups of clients.

All figures are to the best of Health Justice Australia's knowledge, based on information that has been provided by services through surveys and/or ongoing interaction. Numbers may fluctuate as services evolve or when additional data or corrections are received.

We are keen to maintain the accuracy of our records, so if you are involved in a health justice partnership and would like to update any details we may hold or tell us about your partnership, please contact us at partnerships@healthjustice.org.au.

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