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Free legal help coming to the Mallee during Victorian Law Week 2026

Residents across the Mallee are invited to access free legal information and support this May, with Mallee Family Care's Community Legal Centre hosting a series of events as part of Victorian Law Week 2026 (18–24 May).

The sessions will be held in Swan Hill, Kerang, Cohuna and Boort, offering practical, easy-to-understand information to help people better navigate everyday legal issues.

From challenges with housing, employment, finances or family matters, to planning ahead for the future, these sessions are designed for people without a legal background and provide a welcoming space to ask questions and learn more about available support services.

Mallee Family Care CEO Teresa Jayet said the initiative is about making the law more accessible for everyone.

“Legal problems can feel overwhelming, especially if you're unsure where to start. These sessions are designed to break things down, provide clear information, and connect people with the help they need.”

Ms Jayet said the agency had partnered with local service providers to bring free legal information sessions to settings where community members meet and gather during Law Week.

“We're grateful to Swan Hill Regional Library, Northern District Community Health and Boort District Health for supporting these events and our efforts to provide free legal services across the region.”

KERANG: Practical Legal Help for Everyday Problems

Monday 18 May, 10:00am–12:00pm

Northern District Community Health, Fitzroy St, Kerang

SWAN HILL: Planning for the Future: Powers of Attorney and Advance Care Directives

Monday 18 May, 2:00pm–3:30pm

Swan Hill Regional Library, Campbell St, Swan Hill

COHUNA: Practical Legal Help for Everyday Problems

Tuesday 19 May, 10:00am–12:00pm

Northern District Community Health, Edward St, Cohuna



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BOORT: Practical Legal Help for Everyday Problems

Wednesday 20 May, 12:00pm–2:00pm

Boort District Health, Kiniry St, Boort

Community members are encouraged to attend whether they are dealing with a current issue or simply want to be better prepared for the future.

“Staff from our Community Legal Centre will be available and attendees can also take the opportunity to complete a free Legal Health Check to help identify any legal issues they may be experiencing,” Ms Jayet said.

For more information and to register, visit <https://www.viclawweek.org.au/program>

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