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Injustices within Australian state and federal support and legal systems that ensure Domestic Violence by Men towards women continues ...

This is my personal experience – 1 small child involved

1. A child most definitely MUST NOT be forced to spend overnights with a man
2. Men are not required to complete compulsory anger management training and complete a compulsory Psychologist assessment and CT scan upon being arrested for assault – this needs to be changed
3. Police are not able to issue Intervention orders based purely on harassment by a man towards a woman – this needs to be changed. A woman must not have to spend money to avoid harassment via trying to obtain a private intervention order
4. Complaints by women to 1800 respect etc go nowhere and the man is still left with no insight into his behaviour
5. Abusive and harassing men are still given the opportunity to request the woman to go to family mediation, the woman being pressured otherwise he will be issued a 60i certificate (injustices in the federal system listed below)
6. The mediator must remain bias and not give the man any insight into his behaviour. The man can proceed with mediation, further still placing pressure/stress on the woman/mother, damaging her mental health and relationships and parenting abilities
7. If the man does not get a result in mediation, or the mediator cancels mediation based on coercive control or power imbalance, this creates further avenue for abuse towards the woman/mother. The mediator does not, under her governing regulations need to give a reason to the man as to why she cancelled mediation, therefore giving the man no insight, therefore leaving him open to assume blame and more coercive control upon the woman. Leaving the woman again frustrated and again dealing with more abuse. Mediators in Australia, allowing violent men (after hearing the woman's story of terror), to proceed has a ripple affect on the woman's mental health, livelihood, relationships, family members and parenting abilities.
8. Intervention orders are state based, and woman are hearing stories of federal family court voiding the orders in relation to the parenting matter – this is complete injustice
9. Violent men can commence legal proceedings – this need to be changed
10. The letter by the single mother's association of Australia to the attorney general's department was advice stating that legally there should not be a presumption that a male parent gets access to a child as per s60cc 2 Family Law Act. This should be reflected in the Act.

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11. Information of stories by Author Jess Hill should be taken into consideration by the Courts. Her recommendations must be acted upon
12. Any vindictiveness and mental health issues (violence to women) by the man should be taken seriously as potential for filicide
13. Research shows that children are connected to their mothers until they are 7 years old. If a man has been arrested for violence, the child at any point in their life MUST be heard (through their mother's voice) if they are at minor psychological risk in seeing the fathers/male
14. Given the above, children MUST NOT be forced to spend any time with a parent they are away from. It is their voice, through their mother if they are too young that must be heard.
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16. A child must not be forced to spend any time with a man if the mother states that the child does not want to. And if the mother states that the child is at risk of psychological harm by the male through hostility towards the mother/woman.
17. Alcoholic men are at their worst, aggressively in the evenings and in the morning, when the liver has not properly had a chance to detoxify
18. There must not be a presumption that a child spends time with a man because the man was only violent to the mother, at any point he could repeat his pattern of violence with a new woman and expose the child to more violence. Two children were exposed to violence in my case.
19. There are no enforceable attempts to give insight into men in Australia.
20. Young Children at this point in Australia are at risk of developing mental health issues, low self-esteem, low resilience and repeating patterns of violence, exposure to abuse and violence, drug use/alcoholic use, anger and aggressiveness and will be a further burden on mental health resources/police as well as creating failed relationships and repeating patterns into their own broken families, if, as young children they are FORCED by federal courts to see a parent against their will, courts ignore mothers pleas, or are forced to be exposed to a hostile aggressive parent by lack of interventions and court rulings.

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