New law centre hits the road

The newly formed National Children's and Youth Law Centre (NCYLC) is hoping local practitioners will get involved when it visits Darwin in May. The group's visit - from Monday, 30 May to Friday, 3 June - is part of a national tour aimed at exposing Australia's youth and youth workers to relevant aspects of the law.

Darwin City Council's Acting Youth Services Development Officer Viki Chmielewski said disadvantaged youngsters would be a primary target of the group. "The plan is to hold workshops and seminars with keynote speakers and we hope Darwin solicitors will get involved in what is a really worthwhile exercise for Australia's youth and youth work industries," Ms Chmielewski said.

At this stage two workshops have been planned at Northern Territory University on 3 June. A morning workshop will be held for a mixed group of young people, while youth and legal workers will be the targets of the afternoon session.

Facilitators and legal assistance are required for both sessions. NCYLC is a joint project of the University of Sydney, the University of NSW and the Public Interest Advocacy Centre.

The next planning meeting will be held in Darwin at the end of March. For details call Viki Chmielewski on 82 2635.

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