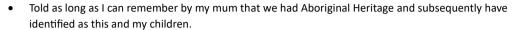
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- Rough childhood of neglect and memories of being touched, sexualized and abused, various males in my
 mothers life.
- Around 12/13 years constantly running away.
- Aged 13 mum relinquished rights to CP. Originally lived with Grandmother, then Aunty (who gave up on me) then moved to Resi Care.
- Aged 14 (Sept 2012) Met (a 24 year old man), in Resi-care.
- No support during my childhood by Child Protection to help me understand what is happening to me.
- Many years of Domestic violence with and being controlled, raped and abused.
- In 2020 The and I moved to a shelter, and then a week later Child Protection removed the my care for investigation. Was meant to be a 1-week order. However, the were never returned, as they said it was due to my Mental Health.
- Been fighting since 2020 to get my three older back. Two oldest are currently residing with my mum
 in Victoria, my youngest with an Aunty in Qld.
- Child Protection have given no support in returning my children to me and have not even ensured there has been a relationship with them.
 - o was 6 months when taken, and would be 3 years old now. I am meant to have scheduled phone calls fortnightly, but this doesn't happen as scheduled as the 'worker' is always sick every time.
 - is the last time I last saw. I am told doesn't want to see me as going to take away' by the CP. This is disputed since my recent phone call when phoned me.
 - One hour access once a month, but CP changed the plan and the dates will change. At this time am unaware of what the schedule will be
- 2022 4th growing born with new partner. registered as Aboriginal on birth certificate.
- Recently email from Child Protection regarding a number of things, one of them asking me to STOP identifying as Aboriginal, as mum is now changing her story.
 - Replied stating I will continue to identify with my Aboriginality, as it is my identity and what I have known all my life. Also put in a request in the email to CP to seek VACCA to complete a finding family referral.
 - O CP sent a separate email a couple of days later; they've transferred your case to CAFS Ballarat.
- On the weekend of 29 July, grand rang me (we haven't spoken since Feb 2020). We was happy, and was sad that hadn't been able to talk to me in so long. Also sent me many text messages afterwards showing how happy was.

I would like someone to contact me so I can explain in more detail my story.