

THE CPG NAVIGATOR CAN:

- Connect parents with community-based services and resources to address child protection concerns.



CONTACT THE CPG:

If you have questions about our services or need help with applying, please contact our office.

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CHILD PROTECTION GROUP (CPG)

Have you been contacted by a Social Worker concerning the safety of your children?



You have the right to **seek legal advice.**

WHAT IS THE CHILD PROTECTION GROUP?

The CPG is a service provided by Nova Scotia Legal Aid (NSLA) that assists eligible clients to reach an early resolution of child protection issues.

The CPG focusses on trying to resolve cases outside of the Court system.

The CPG includes two lawyers, a navigator and a legal assistant.

WHAT CAN THE CPG DO TO HELP?

The CPG can offer legal assistance in child protection matters.

The CPG will assist you in developing a plan on how to address the protection concerns and strive towards an early, long-term solution that will work for you and your family.

If you qualify for this kind of help, a CPG Lawyer and a Navigator will be provided to assist you through these matters.

THE CPG LAWYER CAN:

- Provide general information about child protection law, including your rights and obligations.
- Provide legal advice and representation at the earliest opportunity, including during the beginning stage of the Court process (interim hearing stage).
- If applicable, provide legal advice and representation during informal case conferences, family group conferences, formal conferencing and mediation.

HOW DO YOU QUALIFY FOR THIS KIND OF HELP?



You may be eligible for these services if:

- You do not have a lawyer already assisting you in your child protection matter.
- Your income and assets fall within financial qualifications.
- You are a parent or guardian.

You can apply for CPG services by completing an online application for Legal Aid at www.nslegalaid.ca. Please indicate on your application that you are applying for assistance with child protection involvement.