# **National Referral Numbers**

# **Emergency assistance**

If you need emergency assistance, please phone 000 for police, ambulance or fire services

# **Crisis support lines**

If you need immediate help in regard to a crisis in your health or living circumstances, the following helplines provide telephone crisis support and counselling 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and online assistance (limited hours, depending on the service):

#### Lifeline

**13 11 14** - www.lifeline.org.au - A crisis support and suicide prevention service for all Australians.

## **Kids Help Line**

**1800 55 1800** - www.kidshelpline.com.au - A counselling service specifically for young people aged between 5 and 25.

### Suicide Call Back Service

**1300 659 467** - www.suicidecallbackservice.org.au - A free service for people who are suicidal, caring for someone who is suicidal, bereaved by suicide or are health professionals supporting people affected by suicide.

# **State crisis Numbers (Mental Health)**

| NSW | 1800 011 511 | Mental Health Line                                       |
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| VIC | 1300 651 251 | Suicide Help Line  |
| QLD | 13 43 25 84  | 13 HEALTH  |
| TAS | 1800 332 388 | Mental Health Services Helpline                          |
| SA  | 13 14 65     | Mental Health Assessment and Crisis Intervention Service |
| WA  | 1800 676 822 | Mental Health Emergency Response Line                    |
| NT  | 08 8999 4988 | Top End Mental Health Service                            |
| ACT | 1800 629 354 | Mental Health Triage Service                             |



# **Counselling services**

The following counselling services are available to support and assist people from various groups and communities who are facing mental health difficulties.

#### 1800 RESPECT

**1800 737 732** - www.1800respect.org.au - 1800 RESPECT is the national sexual assault, domestic and family violence counselling service for people living in Australia.

### Carers Australia

**1800 242 636** (9am - 5pm) - www.careraustralia.com.au - short-term counseling and emotional and psychological support services for carers and their families in each state and territory.

#### **Child Abuse Prevention Service**

**1800 688 009** - www.childabuseprevention.com.au - offers information, referral and ongoing support to those affected by child abuse, concerned about the welfare of a child, or needing family or parenting support.

## Counselling Online (alcohol and drug concerns)

www.counsellingonline.org.au - Counselling Online is a 24/7 online service where you can communicate with a professional counsellor about an alcohol or drug related concern, using test-interaction.

## headspace

**1800 650 890** - www.eheadspace.org.au - eheadspace is a confidential, free and secure space where young people 12 - 25 or their family can chat, email or speak on the phone with a qualified youth mental health professional, Telephone and online support is available 9am - 1am. You can also visit www.headspace.org.au to find your closest headspace centre and other information.

### Mensline

**1300 78 9978** - www.mensline.org.au - MensLine Australia is the national telephone (24/7) and online (3pm - 8.30pm daily) support, information and referral service for men with family and relationship concerns.



## **Veterans and Veterans Families Counselling Service (VVCS)**

**1800 011 046** (24/7) - www.dva.gov.au/health\_and\_wellbeing/health\_programs/vvcs?Pages/index.aspx - The VVCS provides counselling and group programs to Australian veterans, peacekeepers and their families.

## **Relationships Australia**

**1300 364 277** - www.relationships.org.au - Relationships Australia provides relationship support services to enhance human and family relationships.

## Information and referral services

## beyondblue

**1300 22 4636** - www.beyondblue.org.au - telephone (24/7) and online (4pm - 10pm) for depression, anxiety and related disorders, as well as online resources and information. You can also search for a mental health professional by postcode here.

### MindHealthConnect

www.mindhealthconnect.org.au - MindHealthConnect brings together trusted mental health resources and content including, online programs, fact sheets, audio and video, and online support groups.

#### Mi Networks

**1800 985 944** - www.minetworks.org.au - Mi Networks can help connect you to accurate information, support and assisted referral to the best local services available.

### **SANE Australia**

**1800 18 SANE (7263)** - www.sane.org - Telephone mental illness advice and referrals, weekdays 9am-5pm, as well as online resources and information.

### Multicultural/translation support

## **Translating Interpreting Services (TIS) National**

**131 450** - www.tisnational.gov.au - TIS National a free telephone and on-site interpreting service for people who don't speak English.

