

may newsletter

everything happening within our centre & the community at large for our young people



common myths and facts about mental health difficulties

Myth

Family and friends can't help people with a mental health difficulty.

Fact

Family and friends, as well as the wider school, work and community network, play an important role in supporting young people recovering from mental health difficulties.

Family and friends have an ongoing connection with the young person and can offer understanding and practical support that makes a big difference.

Myth

People don't recover from periods of mental ill-health.

Fact

Most people recover from mental illhealth. In fact, recovery is more likely than not. With the right treatment and support, people commonly return to wellness, as well as learn lifelong skills that help handle life's tough times if they occur in the future.

While some people can experience multiple episodes throughout their life, these learned skills can reduce the duration and severity of these periods, and increase someone's capacity to live the life they want during periods of illness.

Myth

Mental health difficulties are caused by genetics.

Fact

Mental health difficulties and mental ill-health are complex and can occur for different reasons. Things like grief, relationship break-ups, bullying, exams, family conflict – also called environmental factors – are some of the most common contributors to the onset of mental ill-health in young people.

While environmental factors can worsen any genetic vulnerability, they can also help. For example, a strong family support system can go a long way towards preventing onset of mental health difficulties.

meet the Horsham team



Zunaira youth counsellor



Charlotte youth counsellor



Alisha community engagement



Anna case manager



Trina team leader of centre ops



Cass youth outreach



Ash *LGBTQIA+ peer worker*



Jordan youth peer worker



Rob social work student



Louie trained therapy dog



Jasmine client services



U'NIta team leader of clinical services

meet the Horsham team (continued)



Kate centre manager



Andrea careers consultant

Welcome, Anna!

Exciting news! Let's give a big welcome to Anna, the newest member of our team joining as a case manager!

We're super excited to have her on board, she's passionate, supportive, and ready to make a real difference.

If you see her buzzing about in the centre, be sure to say hi and give her a warm welcome!



Welcome, Kate!

Please join us in giving a huge welcome to, Kate our new centre manager!

Kate brings awesome experience, fresh ideas, and a whole lot of passion to the team. We're pumped to have her leading the way and can't wait to see the amazing things she has to offer!

If you see her around in the centre, be sure to say hello and give her the welcome she deserves!



LGBTQIA+ Dates

We have heaps of celebrations for diverse genders and sexualities here in May! Here's what we're looking forward to this month:

17 May: IDAHOBIT Day
19 May: International Agender Day
24 May: Pansexual Pride Day
28 May: LGBTQIA+ Domestic Violence
Awareness Day

Let's take a moment to celebrate these awesome days! They're a chance for us to raise awareness, bring people together, and spark real change across the world!



CAE Conference

Alisha, our Community Awareness and Youth Engagement Coordinator, went on a road trip to Melbourne to attend the headspace National Community Awareness conference! Alisha was able to meet lots of people from different headspace centres from all over Australia and hear about the awesome things that they are doing at their centres. She also had a cool opportunity to lead an ice-breaker with the room of 120 people, which as you can see from the picture, she absolutely loved!

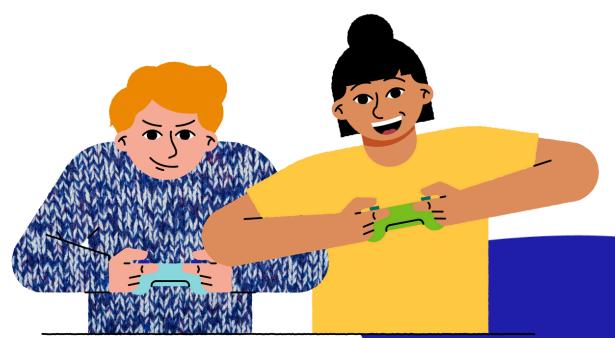


Next Gen Legends

We wrapped up our final session of Next Gen Legends in April, so a huge shoutout to all the amazing legends who participated!

You brought the energy, skills, and the good vibes and it wouldn't have been the same without you!

Good news: we're running it back! Next Gen is coming at you again this May, so if you're ready for more games, more laughs, and more epic moments, check out our flyer below. Limited spots so don't miss out!









EVERY MONDAY STARTING

12 MAY UNTIL THE 7 JULY

4PM UNTIL 5:30PM

Good news! we're running round 2 of NextGen legends and we want YOU to be a part of it!

Are you a young person aged 12-16? want to be a part of our 8-week gaming program focused on supporting you to strengthen your social and communication skills through video games?

Scan the QR code or click the link for more information and to register.



MENU

EXIT

Location: 77 Hamilton St. Horsham



We have many resources headspace.org.au) to health and wellbeing. help you take care of your young person's on our website

time without improvement these resources for some support of a professional. it's important to get the If they've been using

work out what might services to help you Here's a list of our be right for them.

headspace centres

appropriate) to young people aged face-to-face information, support 12–25 for anything affecting their headspace centres provide and intervention (where health and wellbeing.

any of the headspace four service Support may be offered across areas (read about these areas on page 4).

offer group support/programs in Many headspace services also addition to individual support.

young person you can call, email that are available or to make an To find out about the services appointment on behalf of your or drop into your local



eheadspace

by experienced and qualified youth and friends. eheadspace is staffed people aged 12-25, their families eheadspace is a national online and phone support service for mental health professionals.

every day of the year. All they need Web-chat and phone support operates from 9am – 1am (AEST), to do to access eheadspace is

headspace.org.au (for web-chat or email support) or call create an account at 1800 650 890.



Work and Study

need support with work or study. It online and phone support service for people aged 15-25 years who headspace Work and Study is an is staffed by work and study specialists.

works for your young person. Work and find an appointment time that and Study sessions usually take business hours, and we will try The service operates within

workandstudy (for web-chat and email) or phone 1800 810 794. person needs to do is register Study service, all your young To access the Work and at headspace.org.au/

phone, they will be given a toll free

number to call.

connecting with their mentor by

are free. If a young person is

free, but if called from a mobile the All Work and Study services are usual call charges will apply.



headspace Telehealth

In regional and rural areas, getting addresses this by providing 12-25 access to expert psychiatrists is to highly-skilled psychiatrists via year olds in these areas access difficult. headspace Telehealth their field of interest. Mentors work 18-25 with an industry mentor in

video consultations.

Mentoring occurs every two weeks,

for up to six months.

with young people to help them

find, maintain and enjoy work.

and over the phone service that Career Mentoring is an online

Career Mentoring

connects young people aged

continuing their treatment within young people get high quality The low cost service ensures mental health care, while their local community.

Read more about headspace Felehealth at

visit headspace.org.au/mentoring

All Career Mentoring services

Mentoring, your young person can

To register interest in Career

headspace.org.au/telehealth



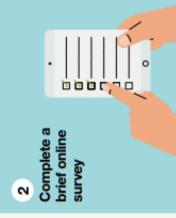


what might happen if I visit headspace?

at the first visit

person, or on the phone. Your first visit may be in At the first visit you will:







Be given the opportunity to: 4

talk together about what

impacting your wellbeing

share what's been

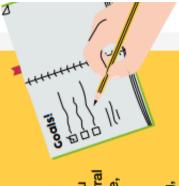
goals you might want to

members are encouraged to attend. If you feel comfortable, family

after the first visit

f you choose to continue at headspace, together we might work on goals you've identified as important to you. We would work together to plan the next steps which may include:

- access to a doctor and/or mental health nurse for physical or mental health difficulties
- study or vocational assistance with a work and study specialist
- sexual health information and support
- an Alcohol and other Drug Support Worker alcohol and other drugs assistance from
- and your family's needs. If you need a referral from a doctor to access a particular service, referral to other agencies best suited to you we can arrange this
- behavioural therapy (CBT), problem solving, supportive counselling and group therapy. mental health support, such as cognitive



We take your confidentiality, privacy and safety seriously. Read more about confidentiality and our duty of care on page 16. \Box

who provides headspace? services at

At headspace, you can meet with a range of workers, including:

- psychologists
- social workers
- occupational therapists
- mental health nurses
- doctors
- psychiatrists
- intake workers
- family workers youth workers
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health workers
- alcohol and other drug workers
- career and education workers
- support workers
- peer support workers
- and other health professionals.

possible for you and your family together to make it as easy as These professionals work to get the help you need.

about what services they provide. will be able to help recommend may not have all of the workers listed here. Make sure to check Each headspace centre caters service you're looking for, they for their local community, and with your headspace centre If they don't have the exact or suggest another service.



how to contact headspace

our centre is open Mon - Thurs 9-6pm and Fridays 9-5pm



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<u>info.headspacehorsham@vt.uniting.org</u>

or follow us on our socials







77 Hamilton Street Horsham, Victoria







FOR 12 - 18 YEAR OLDS *

MONTHLY GROUP TO HANG OUT, PLAY GAMES, HOMEWORK HELP AND HEAPS MORE FUN ACTIVITIES!

4:00PM - 6:00PM
AUNTY IRENE ROOM
43 HAMILTON ST, HORSHAM

*DATE TO BE CONFIRMED EACH MONTH

*GUARDIAN PERMISSION REQUIRED

*FOR ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT

ISLANDER YOUTH ONLY













Anime and Manga Club

Have an interest in Anime and Manga? Join Us!!



4-5:30pm @ The Station



Activities, snacks and drinks provided!



For ages 13-25

Any questions email Ari: arianna.vettos@hrcc.vic.gov.au

Register via QR code











RECONCILIATION WEEK







4-6pm

THE STATION

16 Pynsent St, Horsham

ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:

- Pot painting with a free native plant (limited amounts available!)
- Free sausage sizzle

FOR ENQUIRIES, CONTACT US AT INFO.HEADSPACE@VT.UNITING.ORG

KALEIDOSCOPE *MERCH WORKSHOPS

Wednesday April 23
Thursday May 1
Wednesday May 7

4:00pm - 6:00pm
The Station
16 Pynsent St, Horsham



Register here

Help us create merch to be sold at the

Kaleidoscope Exhibition opening



Merch includes:
Loom Bands
Badges
Keychains
Mini-Artworks
Magnets
Friendship Bracelets



All LGBTQIA+ young people and allies aged 14-18 welcome All profits will be donated to Minus 18











The Station will be open to come and hangout every
Thursday for all young people (10 - 25) during the school term from 4pm - 6pm

Come chill in our big comfy beanbags on your own or with your friends, watching a movie or listening to music.

Snacks and other activities also available

'The Station' - 16 Pynsent Street Horsham

HORSHAM Youth