



Information pack for young people



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headspace Devonport is an open and welcoming environment for young people aged between 12-25, along with parents, carers, friends etc. We deliver cost free services and support young people in four keys areas which include:



Mental Health



Physical Health



Vocational Assistance



Alcohol & other
drugs

headspace is a good place to seek help if a young person:

- Feels sad, anxious, worried or worthless
- Is having difficulty with something in their life
- Needs help with any type of health issue
- Is concerned about their use of alcohol and/or other drugs
- Is worried about a friend or family member
- Needs advice about work or study

headspace is committed to embracing diversity and eliminating all forms of discrimination in the provision of health services. headspace welcomes all people irrespective of ethnicity, lifestyle choice, faith, sexual orientation and gender identity.

Please note—headspace provides time limited services for mild to moderate difficulties. headspace is not an emergency/crisis service. If you or a person you know need immediate support or medical assistance contact

Emergency Services - 000

Lifeline - 13 11 14 Kids Helpline - 1800 55 1800



Centre details

Our business hours

Monday	9:00am—5:00pm
Tuesday	12:00pm—5:00pm
Wednesday	9:00am—5:00pm
Thursday	9:00am—5:00pm
Friday	9:00am—5:00pm

After Hours

You can contact eheadspace through:

Chat at eheadspace.org.au, 7 days per week from 9am—1am AEDST.

Call eheadspace on 1800 650 890, 7 days per week from 9am—1am AEDST

We are located at Level 1, 33-35 Steele Street Devonport
(opposite Mr Wolf & The Laneway Café)
PO Box 27, Devonport TAS 7310
Phone: 03 6424 2144 Fax: 03 6424 6102
Email: devonport@csys.com.au



If you are needing emergency support, please call Emergency Services on 000, Mental health helpline on 1800 332 388 or Lifeline on 13 11 14

How do I make an appointment?

Drop into headspace to complete our referral form! Alternatively, you can print this form off on our website to complete and bring in to us, or email to us.

You will get a call within two working days from our access worker, to confirm your information, have a brief chat and organise an engagement appointment if appropriate.

The engagement appointment with an access worker will be around an hour. We will gather more information and look at planning pathways and support options at headspace or other services.

Nurse & GP Service

headspace Devonport operates **headspace Medical @ Don College** which is a bulk-billed medical service for people aged 12-18 operating at Don College every Thursday (except during school holidays). Bulk billing is where the doctor bills Medicare directly and accepts the Medicare benefits as full payment for their service. This means you do not have any out-of-pocket expenses.

To book visit: <https://www.cornerstoneyouthservices.com.au/bookings/>
Alternatively, you can book a GP appointment with our reception staff by calling the office.



What happens after my appointment?

If a young person chooses to continue with headspace these are some of the options we can discuss:

- Brief intervention and problem solving with a qualified clinician
- Early intervention and supportive counselling with a clinician
- Access to a doctor or nurse for physical or mental health issues
- Study or vocational assistance with a work and study specialist
- Alcohol and drug assistance with a qualified alcohol and drug counsellor
- Single session family chat
- Referral to other agencies best suited to the young person and/or family needs. If a young person needs a referral from a doctor to access a particular service, headspace can arrange this.

If you were linked in to headspace our appointments usually take 50 minutes to complete and we bulk bill all appointments at headspace and are cost free for you.

Appointments at headspace are in high demand so it is important that you attend any appointments that are made for you, or let our reception staff know if you are unable to attend via phone call or dropping into headspace.



While you are waiting for your appointment

At headspace we encourage self-care. Being kind to yourself, maintaining and also maximising your wellbeing is important for a healthy headspace. Here are a few ideas:

- Eat well and drink plenty of water
- Get a good night's sleep
- Reduce your screen time
- Get active
- Engage in a hobby
- Spend time with family and friends
- Check in with your emotions when comfortable



There are a number of ways you can look after your mental health and wellbeing every day. Getting information to help you make good decisions is available in a number of ways. Reading pamphlets or fact sheets, listening to podcasts, watching information videos about others who have had similar experiences, or talking to a trusted friend or adult for guidance and advice.

Please visit our headspace website for information and our fact sheets: www.headspace.org.au



Are you a Parent or Carer?

headspace is a family and friends inclusive service. We believe that families and friends play an important role in a young person's journey to a better wellbeing. Here are some ideas for supporting your young person:

- **Keeping communication open**, showing empathy and don't rush into judgements
- **Be available** without being intrusive or 'pushy'
- **Spend time with your young person.** Take an interest in their activities and encourage them to talk about what's happening in their life.
- **Encourage and support positive friendships.**
- **Encourage activities that promote mental health**, such as exercise, healthy eating and regular sleep.

Whether the young person is ready to access our support services or not, we encourage you to make contact with us and discuss ways we might engage your young person or how you can be supported to care for your young person.

If you would like to talk to a headspace worker, please call us. You may be booked into an appointment or offered support over the phone.

Before making contact with us, it is a good idea to talk with your young person about it first.



Consent and Confidentiality

Consent

headspace is a voluntary service. This means health workers can only provide treatment to young people that give consent. This is something we will ask a young person when they attend.

If the young person is under 18: A parent or legal guardian is the appropriate person to give consent to access our service. In some cases young people can consent to treatment without parental permission.

If the young person is over 18: We will work with the young person to involve their family and friends in a way they are comfortable with, and that are beneficial to a young person's wellbeing.

Collection of personal information

To provide you with the best possible support, care and treatment, and continue to improve our service, we collect information about all the young people who attend our centre, the services they receive and the outcomes they achieve.

Before you access our services, we will ask you to provide us with some personal information about yourself, such as your name, date of birth, address etc. We may also ask your permission to collect information about you from other health workers, such as your doctor, Headspace will also create a file for you, to document all the care you receive. We can only collect this information from you if you give consent. If there is information you don't want us to collect, please tell us. We are happy to discuss this with you when you attend.

Confidentiality

When you talk to a headspace worker what you say is kept confidential. This means nothing you say can be passed on to anyone else without your permission however there are a few exceptions.

If headspace is seriously worried about your safety or the safety of someone else they must – by law – try to keep everyone safe.

This means they might have to share their concerns with someone else. Talk with your headspace worker about confidentiality to ensure you understand how it works.

Rights & Responsibilities

Your Rights

- To be treated with respect and dignity.
- To be able to tell the staff how you feel.
- To receive services that are free from discrimination.
- To know that you can make a complaint and how to do this.
- To be provided with information and options.
- To make your own decisions about the support you receive.
- To access your file and information that is recorded about you.

Your Responsibilities

- To be respectful of others, including staff, volunteers, and other clients.
- To be respectful of Cornerstone's property.
- Provide accurate information about yourself in order to receive the best service possible.
- To respect the privacy others who access Cornerstone services.
- To respect the rights of others to feel safe.
- To respect the cultural background of others.
- To attend your appointments or notify prior to the appointment if you need to cancel or re-schedule.
- To let us know if you are not happy with anything about any of our services.

Getting the support that's right for you

When you talk to a headspace worker, it's important you feel safe and comfortable. Some people prefer to seek support from someone of the same gender, or someone who understands their cultural background.

If you don't think your headspace sessions are working out, you have the right to work with someone you connect with. If you feel comfortable, you can talk with your worker about how you are feeling and together you can find a way forward. If you don't feel comfortable talking to your worker, that's OK. All you need to do is let us know through our admin staff, and we will take it from there and get back to you.

Rights & Responsibilities

Our Responsibilities

- To treat everyone with respect and dignity.
- To inform you about your options for support.
- To involve you in making decisions about the support that you receive.
- To respect your privacy and confidentiality within legal boundaries.
- To allow you to access your personal information.
- To deliver high quality services in a safe manner.
- To deal with all complaints fairly and promptly and without retribution.
- To take into account your views when planning, managing and evaluating the services.

How to make a complaint

If you are not happy with any part of our services you can make a complaint. Your complaint will be treated seriously, respectfully and confidentially.

You can make a complaint yourself or through a friend or support person. You can give us the complaint in writing or you can speak to any of our workers to let them know you would like to make a complaint. Your complaint will go to the manager who will contact you within 48 hours. They will work with you to try and resolve the matter.

If you feel unhappy with the result or how the complaint was handled you can ask to speak to the Chief Executive Officer (CEO). Your complaint may be referred to someone outside of Cornerstone (for example Anti-Discrimination Commission, the Ombudsman or other legal process).

If the complaint involves a criminal offence it will be referred to the CEO who will refer it to the police.

Your Feedback

We want you to feel satisfied with every aspect of the service you receive from Cornerstone Youth Services. We welcome your feedback as it helps us to evaluate the services we offer and make improvements where necessary. Let us know what has worked well for you and what things might make it better, you can do this in person, by phone or by emailing us at headspace@csys.com.au.

Any other questions?

Please speak to one of our workers if you have any questions about what happens while you are a client with any of the Cornerstone services.

headspace online support

eheadspace

eheadspace is a confidential and secure space for young people aged 12-25 years who can web chat, email or speak on the phone with a qualified youth mental health professional. The eheadspace service operates seven days per week from 9am-1am daily AEST. Eheadspace services are free, but mobile charges apply.

For more information please visit eheadspace.org.au, or call 1800 650 890

headspace website

The headspace website is a place for anyone in the community to find information on mental and physical health, work and study, drugs and alcohol and how to get help. The website contains useful resources, friends and family section, access to the Digital Work and Study service plus more.

Please visit www.headspace.org.au for more information



Extra information and resources

24 hour support lines

Kids Helpline—1800 551 800

Mental Health Helpline— 1800 332 388

Suicide Call-back Service— 1300 659 467

Lifeline—13 11 14

MensLine Australian—1300 789 978

Drug & Alcohol Counselling (After hours) -
1800 811 914

Youth beyond blue—youthbeyondblue.com

→ Information, online chat, email and 24/7 phone support.

Q life—qlife.org.au

→ Online chat and phone counselling for LGBTIQ young people

Reach Out—reachout.com

→ Information, tools, forums & apps.



www.headtohealth.gov.au

Head to health contains approximately 378 mental health services and resources funded by the Australian Government.

Head to health contains links to mental health websites created by trusted organisations that give specific information and advice on mental health topics.

There are also evidence based apps and programs, dedicated forums and other peer to peer support, plus phone, chat and email services if you are looking for confidential and professional support.



LEARN NEW WAYS TO HANDLE TOUGH TIMES

ARTWORK — CARLA MCRAE

TIP — HANNAH



When I'm not in a good headspace
fresh air and sunshine helps me feel better.

