

Digital Mental Health

Many people with mental health problems can find online interventions helpful. Some programs can be as effective as face-to-face treatment particularly if there is additional practitioner support (Griffith et al., 2010; Andersson & Hedman, 2013; Andrews et al., 2010; Andersson et al., 2014).

Digital Mental Health (e-mental health) is services, programs or applications, delivered via online, mobile or phone based platforms. They may be self-driven or practitioner guided and can be used alone or in combination with face-to-face therapy.

DISCLAIMER:

The information provided throughout this guide is intended for information purposes only. Whilst many of the services and resources in this guide are government funded, health practitioners should independently investigate, evaluate and verify the content and credentials of any service or resource before choosing to use it or refer a user to it. The services and resources listed in this guide are not exhaustive and represent primarily Australian products.

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Apps



BeyondNow

An app and online version that involves creating a safety plan that users can work through when experiencing suicidal thoughts.

beyondblue.org.au/get-support/beyondnow-suicide-safety-planning



ReachOut Breathe App

An app to help reduce the physical symptoms of stress and anxiety by slowing down your heart rate with your mobile phone or Apple Watch. http://itunes.apple.com/app/apple -store/id985891649?mt=8



HeadGear

An easy-to-use smartphone app guiding users through a 30-day mental fitness challenge. Available on both Google Play and the App Store. https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=au.edu.sydney.poscomp. headgearapp&hl=en_AU



MoodMission

An app based on cognitive behavioural therapy designed to help individuals overcome low moods and anxiety by discovering new and better ways of coping.

http://www.moodmission.com/



Daybreak

A website and app which aims to support any individual to cut back or take a break from using alcohol. https://www.hellosundaymorning.org/ daybreak













A Brief Guide: Digital Mental Health Resources



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Digital Mental Health Gateway



Head to Health

A website that links Australians to online and phone mental health services, information and resources. headtohealth.gov.au

Crisis Support



Lifeline

24/7 phone counselling, and online crisis support chat available each evening. lifeline.org.au/Get-Help 13 11 14 (24hrs)



Suicide Call Back Service

National 24/7 professional telephone and online counselling for anyone affected by

suicidecallbackservice.org.au 1300 659 467 (24hrs)



Beyond Blue Support Service

Telephone, online and email counselling for people going through a tough time. beyondblue.org.au/get-support/get-immediate-support

1300 224 636 (24hrs)



1800RESPECT

Phone & online counselling for people seeking help for themselves or someone else in domestic violence situations. 1800respect.org.au 1800 737 732 (24 hrs)

Information Sites



Bevond Blue

Information on a range of mental health

www.beyondblue.org.au/



SANE Australia

Information on mental health disorders and treatment, and moderated forums providing peer-to-peer support. www.sane.org



Centre for Clinical Interventions

Self-help workbooks and modules for a range of mental health issues. http://www.cci.health.wa.gov.au/resources/ consumers.cfm



WellMob

Social, emotional and cultural wellbeing online resources for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. https://wellmob.org.au/

Self Help Programs



MoodGYM

Teaches skills from CBT to help prevent and manage symptoms of depression. Also useful for anxiety.

moodgym.anu.edu.au



MyCompass

myCompass offers an online interactive selfhelp CBT service for poeple suffering from depression, anxiety and stress. mvcompass.org.au/

Therapist Assisted Programs



The MindSpot Clinic

Offers free courses for Australian adults who are experiencing difficulties with anxiety, stress, depression and low mood. mindspot.org.au



Mental Health Online

Free online programs for a range of issues, with self-quided or therapist support mentalhealthonline.org.au



THIS WAY UP

App and online CBT courses for a range of different issues. Self help and clinician assisted options available. thiswayup.org.au

Sites for Specific Issues



Mensline Australia

Advice, therapy and support for men with families and relationship concerns. 1300 78 99 78 http://www.mensline.org.au/



Blue Knot Foundation

Short term telephone and email counselling, information and resources for survivors of childhood trauma, families and professionals. blueknot.org.au



Butterfly Foundation

Information, web counselling, email/phone support and referrals for people concerned about eating disorders. thebutterflyfoundation.org.au 1800 33 4673 (8am-12am)



High Res

An eToolbox and app to help ex-serving ADF members and their families cope with stress. build resilience and bounce back. http://www.at-ease.dva.gov.au/highres/



Counselling Online

Text-based or phone counselling 24/7 for people concerned about their own or another's drug or alcohol use. counsellingonline.org.au 1800 888 236



ParentWorks

Online program for Australian parents and caregivers providing evidence-based parenting strategies. http://www.parentworks.org.au/#/



OLife

Online 'chat' or phone counselling for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender or intersex (LGBTI)

glife.org.au 1800 184 527 (5:30pm-10:30pm)



MumSpace

Apps, PND treatment and information supporting emotional wellbeing of new mums. mumspace.com.au