Affected by Bushfires?

We offer a range of services and initiatives to help you manage your stress and anxiety, or to connect you with other people who may be dealing with similar issues.

Clinical Services

NewAccess

Confidential and free mental health coaching program for people over 16 years who are stressed, feeling anxious or overwhelmed about everyday life issues, and those who have been impacted by the recent bushfires. It is available over the phone or face-to-face. Self referral. www.marathonhealth.com.au/newaccess or call 6333 2838

headspace

Early intervention mental health support for young people from 12 to 25 years of age across our region with free or low cost services.

headspace Penrith: **4720 8800** headspace Lithgow: **6352 7600**

Psychological Therapy Services

Short term support for people with mild to moderate mental health concerns. Offers individuals up to 10 sessions with a psychologist. Will shortly be available for people affected by bushfire. Please talk to your GP for a referral.

www.nbmphn.com.au/PsychologicalTherapy

SOS

For people 14 years or older at low to moderate risk of suicide or self-harm. Please talk to your GP for a referral. **www.nbmphn.com.au/S0S**

Mental Health Help website

Online directory of local mental health services and supports. www.MentalHealthHelp.com.au

Digital Support

eheadspace

Free online and telephone support and counselling to young people 12-25 and their families and friends. eheadspace has also put together information for young people about how to cope with the stress of natural disasters. **www.headspace.org.au/eheadspace**

HeadtoHealth website:

Apps, online programs, online forums, phone supports, and treatment options as well as a range of digital information resources for people trying to improve their own mental health, or support somebody else with mental health issues.

www.headtohealth.gov.au

Mental Health Help website:

Online directory of mental health services and supports in our region.

www.MentalHealthHelp.com.au

Emerging Minds Community Trauma Toolkit:

Resources to support first responders, GPs, health or social workers, parents or carers to respond. www.emergingminds.com.au/resources/toolkits/ community-trauma-toolkit

MyHealthConnector website:

Online directory of local health and lifestyle services to help you reconnect with your community. **www.myhealthconnector.com.au**

www.nbmphn.com.au/BushfireSupport

Call A Crisis Helpline

Lifeline 13 11 14 www.lifeline.org.au

24 hour NSW Mental Health Line 1800 011 511

Beyond Blue 1300 22 4636 www.beyondblue.org.au

MensLine 1300 789 978 www.mensline.org.au

Kids Helpline 1800 55 1800 www.kidshelpline.com.au

GriefLine 1300 845 745 www.griefline.org.au

Suicide Call-Back Service 1300 659 467 www.suicidecallbackservice.org.au

Service NSW – Bushfire Customer Care Line 1800 018 444

Housing Contact Centre 13 77 88 www.service.nsw.gov.au

Open Arms – Veterans & Families Counselling 1800 011 046 www.openarms.gov.au



Community Based Wellbeing Projects

Capertee Valley Resilient Farmers Program

Social interaction, learning and consultation events focusing on restoring hydration of the Capertee Valley. cvlandcare@gmail.com

Hawkesbury Be & Co.

A pop-up social event offering free coffee and conversation. Be & Co. focuses on community connectedness and reducing social isolation. www.facebook.com/beco.hawkesbury or 4577 4435

Hawkesbury Feedbag Garden Project

Improving social connections and wellbeing by providing knowledge, skills and rural community support, involving food hampers; community volunteer training; maintaining the community garden; strengthening community networks. **Hawkesbury Community Outreach Services Inc.** on **4573 1166**

Hawkesbury Remakery

A regular schedule of Creative Lifestyle and Sustainability Skills (CLASS) through a hub of craft activities to upskill local people for leisure as well as volunteer projects to support the community. info@hawkesburyremakery.com.au or 4587 8958

Lithgow & Hawkesbury Farmers Online Project

One-on-one digital mentoring available to farmers and community members wanting to become more online savvy. Some small group workshops to improve digital literacy also available. **Leep Head Office – 1300 163 106**

Lithgow Lifeskills

Reduce stress and learn new coping mechanisms through a modified Dialectical Behavioural Therapy and Art as Therapy program. **skconwaypowles@gmail.com** or **0428 081 783**

Mental Health Matters

Free wellbeing workshops covering resilience, coping strategies, dealing with crisis situations and where to obtain mental health support. Half day sessions and 90 minute online courses will be offered.

Bookings via Australian Red Cross: http://bit.ly/2GgGTgE

RUOK Sessions

This free wellbeing workshop is designed to assist people to connect with those around them and support anyone struggling with life. Saturday, 15 February, bookings via Eventbrite: *Colo Heights – 9am-11am:* http://bit.ly/2RInNVY *St Albans – 2pm-4pm:* http://bit.ly/37g0F87



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