Support for families

Should you feel that you and your family require support during this time, the following services can provide you with practical, non-judgmental information, advice, confidential peer support and counselling.





Australian Centre to Counter **Child** Exploitation

Support for families

Child Wise offers information, support, counselling and advice from trained counsellors to help people deal with concerns relating to child sexual abuse and exploitation.

If you have experienced child abuse in an institutional context you can contact the Child Wise Helpline.

Call **1800 99 10 99** (9am-5pm M-S) Visit **childwise.org.au**

The Salvation Army assists families experiencing a sudden crisis in need of financial assistance (food, travel, water, phone, rates, clothing, etc).

Call **1300 371 288** (9am-5pm AEST M-F) Visit **salvationarmy.org.au**

Lifeline provides a telephone and online service for anyone who is experiencing a personal crisis, contemplating suicide or caring for someone in crisis.

Call 13 11 14 (Operates 24/7) Visit lifeline.org.au

1800Respect. Dial for sexual assault, domestic and family violence counselling, information and referrals.

Call **1800 737 732** (Operates 24/7) Visit **1800respect.org.au**

Beyond Blue provides a confidential phone or online service offering support and counselling by trained mental health professionals.

Call **1300 22 4636** (Operates 24/7) Visit beyondblue.org.au/getsupport

Blue Knot Helpline and Redress Support Service provides specialist trauma counselling, support, information and referrals to adults who have experienced childhood trauma.

Call **1300 657 380** (9am-5pm AEST M-S) Visit **blueknot.org.au/helpline**

Support for children and young people

Kids Helpline offers a free, confidential telephone and online counselling service for young people aged 5-25 years.

Call **1800 55 1800** (Operates 24/7) Visit **kidshelpline.com.au**

Bravehearts offers a free telephone service providing information, counselling and support to those affected by child sexual abuse.

Call **1800 272 831** (8:30am-4:30pm AEST M-F) Visit **bravehearts.org.au**

Australian Childhood Foundation provides support to children and families affected by abuse, family violence and neglect and offers counselling, therapeutic care, research activities and parenting education.

Call **1300 381 581** Visit **childhood.org.au**

headspace provides free, confidential telephone or online mental health support to 12-25 year olds or their families. Visit the website to find a headspace centre in your territory.

Call **1800 650 890** Visit **headspace.org.au**

Reachout is an online service that provides information, support and resources about mental health issues for young people and their parents.

Visit au.reachout.com

Learn more

If you are concerned about your child's mental health or behaviour, speak to your GP. Your GP can provide you with an appropriate counselling referral or further information on any of the above services and more.

Support in your state

The Samaritans

Is a WA based not for profit organisation providing an anonymous telephone service offering help and support.

Call 1300 656 336 Visit thesamaritans.org.au

Department of Communities Child Protection

Protects and cares for children and young people who are in need, and supports families and individuals who are at risk or in crisis.

Call **1800 273 889** Visit wa.gov.au

Crisis Care Helpline

Is a telephone information and counselling service for people in crisis and needing urgent help afterhours.

Call **1800 199 008** or **08 9223 1111** (Operates after hours, M-S)

Victim Support Service

Provides free, confidential counselling and support services for all victims of crime.

Call 1800 818 988 Visit victimsofcrime.wa.gov.au

Ngala Parenting Line WA

Is available for all parenting queries.

Call **1800 111 546** (Operates 8am-8pm, M-S) Visit **ngala.com.au**

Please consult your General Practitioner (GP) for further information and to ask for referrals if required.

If life is in danger or a person is highly distressed, feeling unsafe and you think they are a risk to themselves, dial 000 for immediate assistance.

