## The PIR Journey

Contact PIR and check eligibility

Difficulties finding and coordinating the needed services

Program acceptance, meet support facilitator

> Goals set, priorities identified, plan in place

Positive life changes

Eastern Melbourne PHN is the lead agency for the Partners in Recovery program in the north and east of Melbourne.

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# **Partners in Recovery**

Brochure for people with a mental illness, their families and carers

"Everybody is working together and knows where we are all up to in my recovery journey which makes my goals more achievable." – Debbie (PIR participant)













Partners in Recovery (PIR) provides linkages and coordination of support for people with long term mental health and complex service needs.

#### Do you, or someone you care for, experience:

- severe and long term mental health issues;
- complex needs requiring the involvement of multiple services and supports; and
- difficulty getting the help you need to make positive life changes?

#### How does Partners in Recovery work?

The PIR Support Facilitator will work with you, a nominated friend, carer or family member (as appropriate), as well as the professional supports you may already have, to establish a full picture of what is going on and what is needed to work towards recovery.

The role of the PIR Support Facilitator is to then help establish any more supports you may need, then to coordinate and collaborate with all involved to encourage personal control over your recovery and care decisions.

Support Facilitators will assist you to understand and access the NDIS (National Disability Insurance Scheme) if you are eligible or look for alternative ongoing supports.

National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) Website: www.ndis.gov.au P: 1800 800 110

### For more information, or to check eligibility for Partners in Recovery in Melbourne's north and east

The referral process is uncomplicated and easy for you, your carer or support worker. Call the intake number below for the area you live in. All it takes is a conversation to check eligibility and the program is free and voluntary.

 PIR Inner East covers the council areas of Boroondara, Manningham, Monash and Whitehorse

Contact and referrals: 1800 731 222 Support providers: Neami National, Wellways, Victorian Aboriginal Health Service (VAHS)

PIR Outer East covers the council areas of Knox, Maroondah and Yarra Ranges

Contact and referrals: (03) 9800 1071

Secure fax: (03) 8677 9510

**Support providers:** Neami National, Mind Australia, Victorian Aboriginal Health Service (VAHS)

 PIR North covers the council areas of Banyule, Nillumbik, Whittlesea, Hume and Darebin Contact and referrals: 1300 747 247 or pirintake@mindaustralia.org.au

Support providers: Neami National, Mind Australia,

Victorian Aboriginal Health Service (VAHS)

