

Adult & Older Adult Mental Health Service

Divisional Manager – Julie Hume

Clinical Director – Dr Victoria Harpwood

Deputy Clinical Director – Dr Partha Das



Service overview

Who?

- **Currently** 18+ transitioning to 25+ years to align with recommendations from the Royal Commission into Victoria's Mental Health System
- A recent addition to the service is the Older Adult community service (OACS) team, primarily supporting ≥ 65 years.

Where?

- **Catchment area:** Banyule and Nillumbik. Our service provides assessment, treatment, and support to residents within these areas.
- **Service settings:** Inpatient, community and community-based residential services.
- **Inreach teams:** CCS & PMHT
- **Outreach teams:** MST, HOPE, PCS, OACS

Inpatient Services

Acute Psychiatry Unit

NUM: Melissa Leslie

Lead Consultant: Dr Jack Liao

Eating Disorders Unit

ANUM: Natalie Sacco

Lead Consultant: Dr Karen Gwee

Secure Extended Care Unit

NUM: Jiji Jacob

Lead Consultant: Dr Partha Das

Parent Infant Program

NUM: Michelle McAlary

Lead Consultant: Dr Adrienne Taylor

Psychiatric Assessment & Planning Unit

NUM: Diane Kavelj

Lead Consultant: Dr David Lien

Community Recovery Program

Manager: Elly Piper

MIND Manager: Chris Van Saane

Lead Consultant: Dr Jess Hamer

Prevention & Recovery Care

Manager: Elly Piper

MIND Manager: Chris Van Saane

Lead Consultant: Dr Joy Quek

Working in partnership with

MIND Partnership Services:

- CRP & PARC
- Post Discharge Peer Support Initiative
- Early Intervention Psychological Support Response



Outpatient / Community Services

Mobile Support & Treatment Service

Manager: Priyanka Puri
Psychiatrist: Dr Dilini Dharmage

Austin Drug & Alcohol Service

Manager: Priyanka Puri
Lead Consultant: Dr Keri Alexander

Continuing Care Service

Manager: Emily McLean
Lead Consultant : Dr Sanjeewanie Karunaratne

Perinatal Community Service

Manger: Michelle McAlary
Lead Consultant : Dr Chamli Wanigasekera

Primary Mental Health Team

Manger: Melinda Carlyle
Lead Consultant : Dr Jess Hamer

Older Adult Community Service

Manager: Rob Sharma
Lead Consultant : Dr Hannah Fritzlaff

Hospital Outreach Post-suicide Engagement Program

Manager: Melinda Carlyle
Lead Consultant: Dr Katherine Steele

Adult Triage 1300 859 789

Manager: Sandro Madrigale
Lead Consultant: Dr Sharmila Lawrence

Crisis & Assessment Treatment Service

Manager: Sandro Madrigale
Lead Consultant: Dr Sharmila Lawrence

Emergency Psychiatric Service

Team Leader: Diana Kavelj
Lead Consultant: Dr David Lien

Police & Clinician Emergency Response

NUM/Team Leader: Diana Kavelj
Lead Consultant: Dr David Lien

Specialists in AOAMHS

NDIS Lead

AoD Practice leads

**Family Violence
Advisor**

**Forensic Clinical
Specialists**

**Lived & Living
Experience
Consultants**

**FaPMI
(Family where a
parent has a mental
illness)**

Access Pathways



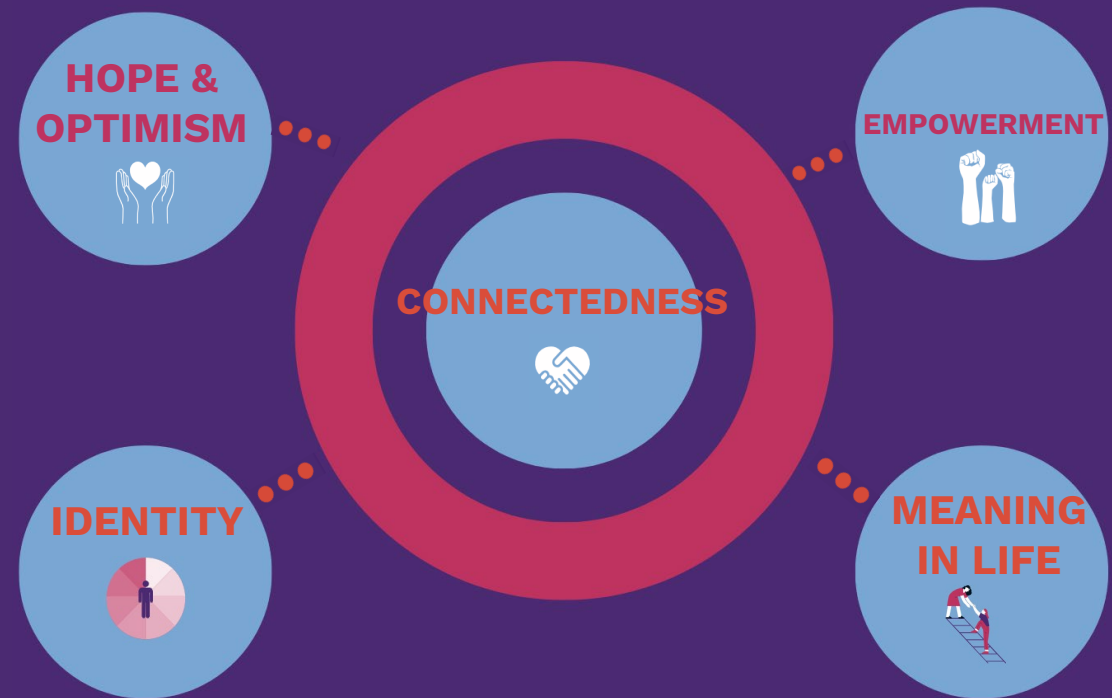
Referral via Triage
1300 859 789

Or via the
Emergency Department



Approach to practice

- The service is both trauma informed and recovery orientated
- We aim to work with people's strengths and assume capacity



Tips

- ❖ The more information you can give us the better – be prepared to answer lots of questions.
- ❖ Do you have consent – is the individual you are referring aware of your contact with us
- ❖ We want to get the individual to the most appropriate team quickly – hence detailed questioning 😊
- ❖ We love warm handovers – great if you can accompany someone to the first appointment
- ❖ Share planning leads to better outcomes – collaboration between services supports safer care

