

Appendix 3 Training Need Survey Children's Mental Health Program

This series of lectures via teleconferencing is a joint project of MHSKY Royal Women's and Children's Healthcare Network and the Bendigo Health Care Group, Division of Psychiatry. We invite you to fill in this survey to help us identify the specific needs of professionals working with children in the Loddon Southern Mallee Region.

Please tick the box/boxes.

1 How would you rate your current access to training and information in Children's Mental Health?

1 [] 2 [] 3 [] 4 [] 5 []
Poor Satisfactory Good Very good Excellent

2 How would you rate your knowledge of children's mental health disorders?

1 [] 2 [] 3 [] 4 [] 5 []
Poor Satisfactory Good Very good Excellent

3 How confident do you feel in working with children with mental health disorders?

1 [] 2 [] 3 [] 4 [] 5 []
Very Very Not much Some Confident
unconfident confidence confidence confident

4 Do you have any difficulties in attending training offered in children's mental health?

YES [] NO []

If yes, what are these difficulties? (Tick all that apply)

- Time
 - Distance
 - Arranging for cover while you attend training
 - Cost
 - Knowledge of training opportunities
 - Other: please specify
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5 Which day/days would suit you best for lecture/discussion sessions? (Tick all that apply)

- Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday

6 What times would suit you best for the lecture/discussion program? (3hrs per session) (Tick all that apply)

- 10.00–1.00 1.00–4.00 3.00–6.00

7 What would be an ideal gap between the 3-hour sessions?

- a) Weekly Fortnightly
or
b) Would you prefer 6 x 1 day sessions spread
 Weekly Fortnightly Monthly?

8 What format would suit you best?

- Teleconferencing from Melbourne
 - Teleconferencing from Melbourne, local facilitators
 - Teleconferencing from Melbourne, local facilitators and copies of overheads in advance
 - Any other suggestions? Please specify
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9 If a similar program were offered again, what location would you prefer for the teleconferencing session?

- Bendigo
 Other: please specify
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10 Would you be prepared to do reading prior to the session if materials were supplied?

YES NO

30 mins 1 hour 1.5 hours 2 hours 2.5 hours

11 What areas would you like the program to cover? (Tick all that apply)

- Encopresis and enuresis
- Grief and loss issues in childhood
- Disability and chronic illnesses — impact on children and families
- Post traumatic stress disorder
- Developmental challenges facing preschool and primary school-aged children
- Working with parents in understanding and managing children's behaviour
- Understanding the mental status of children – assessment, treatment and management implications
- Assessing and understanding the distressed child

- Understanding anxiety and aggression in children and implications for treatment
 - Working with Children who have experienced multiple placements
 - Attachment disorder in children and adolescents
 - Any other suggestions?
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12 Would you please list the three topics, in order of preference, you would be most interested in seeing offered as part of this program.

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13 Any other comments/suggestions about the lecture discussion program?

THANK YOU FOR COMPLETING THIS QUESTIONNAIRE

**Questionnaires are to be returned by
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