

DALBY INTERAGENCY MEETING

Held at the **MYALL YOUTH AND COMMUNITY NETWORK CENTRE**

Date 21st November 2023

Meeting opened by Bec Lee at 12 pm – Bec thanked everyone for their attendance.

ATTENDANCE: Eddie Sloan (Rural & Remote Mental Health, Michael Weekes (Carers Qld NDIS) & Bec Lee (MYCNC).

Attendance Via Zoom - Gail Corte (Rural Aid)

APOLOGIES: Kendal Mcwhirter (YHaRS - Life Without Barriers)

Bec Lee (MYCNC) 4662 0152 admin@mycnc.com.au

- *Bec - Centre Coordinator* working Monday - Thursday every week.
- Centre opens Monday – Friday 8:30am – 4.30pm
- Office space unavailable, a variety of conference rooms are still available for half day or full day hire; please refer anyone looking for any sort of room hire to MYCNC.
- All community groups are welcome to call and discuss room availability.
- Please update all business cards, brochures and email address held at the Centre.
- Link for community to services, not a drop in Centre.
- We do not diagnose we literally just do the counselling in our sessions.
- Funded to go into Aged Care Facilities and Education facilities.
- All are welcome to access the program, clients can be referred by service or directly through the beyond blue line.
- Will assess anyone coming into the program and if more intense help is needed this can be fast tracked through the program so clients aren't going on the eight month waiting lists.
- All services are completely free.

Eddie Sloan (Rural & Remote Mental Health) 0439 345 327 edsloan@rrmh.com.au

- Working with people with moderate to severe mental health
- COMMONWEALTH PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT PROGRAM –
 - Community based supports to assist recovery for people experiencing severe to moderate Mental Illness through a range of services to help and assist with NDIS.
- Eddie services the South Burnett, Jandowae and Dalby Based at Kingaroy
- 16 years of age up and can be contacted via our ccc website and Facebook.
- Referrals usually from their GP or other health professional. They can self-refer and we can forward it onto the correct service.
- Helping follow up support after psychologist appointments, getting to medical appointments, allied health etc.
- Social skills building and forwarding referrals

Michael Weekes (Carers Qld NDIS) 07 4646 2800 michael.weekes@ndis.gov.au

- Local Area Coordinator (LAC).
- Based in Toowoomba however travelling the area (Miles, Chinchilla, Tara Dalby etc.) and not usually in the office
- Visits Dalby once a month at MYCNC for one on one appointments.
- Bookings through website or office.
- Primarily support people with NDIS on understanding and using their plans.
- Help assist people through the process of NDIS.

- Carers Side – provide support, give referrals & information to any people who are carers, whether they're providing care for someone with a disability, elderly parents etc.
- Trying to reach out to School to educate about NDIS.
- Happy to support anyone on a needs basis.
- Connecting with providers, accessing the scheme, asking for reviews, asking for reviews of decisions etc.

Attendees via ZOOM:

Kendal Wcwhirter (YHaRS - Life Without Barriers) 07 4616 3100 kendal.mcwhirter@lwb.org.au

- Taken over the YHaRS program from October – Youth Homeless and Reintegration Service
- Case management service for young people 12- their 22nd birthday who are experiencing homelessness or at risk of homelessness
- Holistic services around building capacity as well with vulnerable young people
- Experiencing the pressure around housing as like everyone else.
- Funding is also available to young people who have transitioned from Child Safety into independence to support goals etc.

Gail Courte – Rural Aid, would like to add the statement below following her absents from our November meeting

“Rural Aid continues to provide ongoing support to primary producers. We have a very lengthy hay list and so there will be significant delays in getting hay to farmers. This said we encourage those in need to register - <https://www.ruralaid.org.au/services-provided/fodder-request/> Household water is a priority however we now offer one load every 4 months - <https://www.ruralaid.org.au/services-provided/water-delivery-expression-ofinterest/> Our tank programme continues however applications are on hold for now. If an urgent need comes up (eg. tanks destroyed by fire) then we can assess individual situations - call 1300 327 624 or email gail.courte@ruralaid.org.au. Counselling is available by phoning 1300 175 594 or referral on this link: <https://www.ruralaid.org.au/counsellors/> As your local representative I (Gail Courte) can be contacted on 0428 185 184 or email gail.courte@ruralaid.org.au. Our office number is 1300 327 624. Farm Army continues unaltered at this stage. <https://www.farmarmy.com.au/> is the link for farmers to register jobs they need help with or for volunteers to apply for those jobs.”

Meeting closed: 12.20 pm

Next meeting to be held on the 20th February 2024 at 12pm