

WHO IS GENERAL COUNSELLING FOR?

All Women (over 18yrs), living in the Central West Region who:

- Have been affected by abuse, including physical, emotional, mental and sexual; or domestic & family violence
- Are adult survivors of childhood abuse/sexual assault
- Are affected by disability, self-esteem, identity, depression, anxiety, grief/loss, isolation, reproductive health issues and relationship issues
- Are caring for a dependant and seeking counselling or advocacy

COSTS & FEES

Costs are \$25.00 per session or \$10.00 for students or pension/benefit card holders.

If you are unable to pay a fee this can be discussed with the Counsellor during the intake session.

No woman will be turned away because she cannot afford to pay.

OUR GENERALIST COUNSELLOR PROVIDES

- Face-to-face counselling for all women
- Telephone and online counselling for women unable to attend the Centre
- A safe and confidential service
- Training and knowledge to support the individual needs of the client
- Liaison with community health professionals for information and referral so that women can access appropriate services
- Workshops - Our counsellors are also a Group Facilitators and can support partnership programs or develop bespoke workshops.

HOW IT WORKS

The Generalist Counsellor meets with women first, to get a picture of what is needed. It is helpful to bring relevant Court Orders, Apprehended Violence Orders or other related reports to the first session.

Anyone can make an appointment – a referral is not necessary. However, other services may refer clients to our centre.

OUTCOMES

We aim to have the following outcomes for our clients:

- Reducing stress and distressing symptoms
- Heightened sense of control
- Increased hope and a more positive outlook on life
- Working together to generate an agreed plan of action
- Greater focus and direction
- Feeling relief and at peace for having let go of a past trauma or pain
- Greater enjoyment and connection in close personal relationships
- Increased sense of happiness and life satisfaction
- Ensuring correct information is being provided in the counselling process to enable clients to make informed choices.
- Greater sense of empowerment due to individual issues being addressed proactively.

IN ADDITION

If you require Childcare, please discuss this with us when making your first appointment.



MEET OUR GENERALIST COUNSELLORS

The Counselling service is provided by our Generalist Counsellors, Lorraine Murphy and Marie Bourke.



With over 25 years' experience. **Lorraine Murphy** has worked with couples, families and individuals.

Specialising in working with victims of Domestic and Family

Violence, Lorraine has written models of practice. Her expertise includes extensive group work, supporting clients suffering grief and loss; offering Victims Support; supporting those in Out of Home Care; delivering Managing Strong Emotions and more.



Marie Bourke commenced work at the Centre in July 2019. She has worked clinically in Africa, Ireland and Australia; most recently with Dublin

Suicide Network and Drug & Alcohol Services Ireland; now working in Central West NSW.



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We acknowledge the Wiradjuri people, the traditional custodians of the land on which we live and work, and pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging



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