

AVAILABLE HELP FOR TEENS IN NEED OF SUPPORT produced by Dr Alison Cowan Updated January 2022

- Herts County Council Services for Young People HCC SfYP (formerly YC Hertfordshire) 13-17yr
 - 0300 123 7538; text: 07860 022943
 Email: <u>SfYP@hertfordshire.gov.uk</u> <u>yc@hertfordshire.gov.uk</u>
 - St Albans office: Catherine Street: open every afternoon and youth can drop in
 - <u>https://www.servicesforyoungpeople.org/</u>

MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT

- Helplines
 - Saneline: <u>www.sane.org.uk;</u> 0845 767 8000: daily 6-11pm daily
 - o Samaritans: 08457 90 90 90
 - Shout: crisis texting service: text 85258; <u>www.giveusashout.org</u>
 - o Childline 0800 11 11 www.childline.org.uk
 - \circ ~ Single point of contact for child and adolescent mental health: 0800 6444 101 ~
 - Hertfordshire Night Light service: helpline: Friday-Monday: 7 -2am: 01923 256391: 18yr+

Now 24/7

- NHS Mental Health Apps: <u>www.nhs.uk/apps-library/category/mental-health/</u>
- Youth Talk 13-25yr: counselling service for those living, working or at school in St Albans district
 - o 01727 868684
 - o <u>www.youthtalk.org.uk</u>
- Signpost/Urban Access: 10-25yr South and West Hertfordshire
 - o 01923 239495 or 07444 768078 12 counselling sessions
 - o <u>administrator@signpostcounselling.co.uk</u> <u>counselling@urbanaccess.org.uk</u>
 - www.signpostcounselling.co.uk/
- YCT (Young Concern Trust): 5-25yr West Essex and Noth and East Hertfordshire
 - Counselling and therapeutic support charity <u>www.yctsupport.com/</u>
 - o 01279 414090
- HarpendenPlus Partnership
 - o 07985 330941; 01582 623676
- Relate: North Herts <u>www.relate.org.uk</u> 0300 100 1234
- Tilehouse Counselling: 13-19yrs www.tilehouse.org 01462 440 244 North Herts
- Rephael House: 13-19yrs based In Welwyn and Hatfield www.rephaelhouse.org.uk 0208 440 9144
- Young People's Healthy Hub: www.healthyhubs.org.uk/Stevenage

HCC SfYP Supporting You Programme: 11-17yrs

- <u>https://www.ychservicesforyoungpeople.org/support-for-young-people/support-with-health-and-emotional-wellbeing/supporting-you/</u>
- 12 CBT skills delivered over a weekly programme of 7 weeks
- Wellbeing team: 16+yr: free confidential talking therapy and practical support: via self-referral or GP: 28 days
- <u>www.talkwellbeing.co.uk</u> : 0800 6444 101
- CAMHs/Public Health website: https://www.healthyyoungmindsinherts.org.uk/
- CAMHs: https://www.hpft.nhs.uk/: 0800 6444 101 NHS111 option 2or red button via https://www.hpft.nhs.uk/
- **THE MIX: <25YR:** free confidential multi-channel service that aims to find young people the best help
 - 0808 808 4994 (freephone 7 days a week 3pm-12am); 1-2-1 chat; <u>www.themix.org.uk</u>
 - ThinkNinja app: teaches skills to build resilience and stay wellFree to download for 10-18yrs during COVID-19
- What's Up app: teaches simple strategies to help cope with a wide range of mental health issues

Remote counselling available: email info@signpostcounselling.co.uk

- Big White Wall early online intervention service: via self-referral or professional: 16+yr: www.bigwhitewall.com
- Sane: <u>www.sane.org.uk</u> 0300 304 7000
- Young Minds: <u>www.youngminds.org.uk;</u> Crisis messenger: text YM 85258
- Mind: <u>www.mind.org.uk</u>: 0300 123 3393; text 86463: national charity Monday Friday 9-6pm
- Mind in Mid Herts: local charity supporting 16+yr with their mental health

 www.mindinmidherts.org.uk; 01727 865070
- Herts Mind Network: <u>www.hertsmindnetwork.org</u>; 020 3727 3600
 Young Person's group >15yr and workshops online
 Young Person's Helpline: 10-17yrs 01923 256391 Mon/Wed/Fri: 1-4.30pm; Tues/Thurs: 5-7.30pm; Sat: 10-1pm
- Kooth: <u>www.kooth.com</u>: anonymous, confidential website where young people in Hertfordshire can go for help.
 6 counselling sessions 10-25yr
- Elefriends: <u>www.elefriends.org.uk</u> supportive online community through MIND
- Stem4: <u>www.stem4.org.uk</u> teenage mental health charity
- Childline: <u>www.childline.org.uk</u>
 - Childline For Me app: <u>https://www.childline.org.uk/toolbox/for-me/</u>
- Help for vulnerable people with additional needs: Guidepost Trust: <u>https://guideposts.org.uk/</u>
- Mental Health Complex Needs service: Turning Point https://www.turning-point.co.uk/home.html
- Muslim youth helpline: <u>www.myh.org.uk</u>
- MeeTwo: Advice for teens from experts on any topic that is difficult to talk about: <u>https://www.meetwo.co.uk/</u>
- Rise Above: useful information from the web: <u>www.riseabove.org.uk</u>
- Mindfulness app for all ages: Smiling Minds; Headspace
- Youth2Youth: emotional support up to 19yrs by young people: helpline 07516391429 day; www.youth2youth.co.uk
- It's OK to say: mental health support: <u>www.itsoktosay.org.uk</u>
- Help with anxiety:
 - o <u>www.anxietyuk.org.uk</u> 08444 775 774
 - o <u>https://www.anxietycanada.com/</u>
 - Mindshift app: help with anxiety
 - SAM app: help with anxiety
 - Clear Fear app: Help with anxiety management: <u>https://www.clearfear.co.uk/</u>
 - No Panic: 13-20yrs: Help with panic and anxiety <u>www.nopanic.org.uk</u>; No Panic app; 0330 606 1174
- Help with self-harm
 - Harmless: <u>www.harmless.org.uk</u>
 - o Alumina (previously SelfharmUK): www.selfharm.co.uk 14-19yr free online support
 - Self Injury Support: https://www.selfinjurysupport.org.uk
 - Helpline 0808 800 8088 webchat or TESS text 07800 472 908 Tuesday-Thursday 7-9.30pm
 - Lifesigns: <u>http://www.lifesigns.org.uk/</u>
 - **Calm Harm app**: <u>https://calmharm.co.uk/</u> from 12yrs
 - o distrACT app: advice about SH and suicide <u>https://www.expertselfcare.com/health-apps/distract/</u>
- Help with suicidal thoughts

OLLIE: offering wellbeing workshops online

- o The OLLiE Foundation: https://theolliefoundation.org/ suicide awareness, intervention and prevention training
- o Hector's House: https://hectorshouse.org.uk/ information resource. Crisis texting service: text 85258
- PAPYRUS: (Prevention of Young Suicide) support for young people up to age 35yrs
 - www.papyrus-uk.org HOPELINEUK: 0800 068 4141 10-10pm weekdays; 2-10pm weekends
- CALM (Campaign Against Living Miserably) charity to help prevent male suicide: 15-35yrs
 - Helpline: 0800 585858: 5pm midnight 365 days of the year. <u>www.thecalmzone.net</u>
- **Maytree**: provides residential space for people experiencing a suicidal crisis
 - www.maytree.org.uk 0207 236 7070
- Stay Alive App: <u>Stay Alive App (hpft.nhs.uk)</u>suicide prevention pocket resource
- Help is at Hand: NHS resource <u>www.supportaftersuicide.org.uk/help-is-at-hand</u>
- o SOBS (Survivors of Bereavement By Suicide): national charity <u>www.uk-sobs.org.uk</u> 0300 111 5065
- Sucide Prevention Network: resources in Hertfordshire: <u>https://suicidepreventionherts.org.uk/</u>

- Lots of excellent resources on website
- Digital services available

- **Help with Eating Disorders**
 - The Eating Disorders Association: <u>www.b-eat.co.uk</u>
 - The National Centre for Eating Disorder: <u>www.eating-disorders.org.uk</u> 0
- Help with addiction
 - Drug/alcohol issues 0
- CGL: remote support: call 0800 652 3169 or email Herts@cgl.org.uk
 - Spectrum (CGL): https://www.changegrowlive.org/spectrum-fyp-hertfordshire/info
 - . Frank 0800 776600: www.talktofrank.com
 - . The Living Room: https://www.livingroomherts.org/
 - Get Connected: www.getconnected.org.uk; helpline: 080 8808 4994 (1pm to 11pm).
 - Gambling 0
 - GamCare Hertfordshire: https://www.gamcare.org.uk/
 - Young people: <u>www.bigdeal.org.uk</u>
 - National Gambling Helpline: 0808 8020 133
 - Gaming addiction 0
 - https://www.priorygroup.com/addiction-treatment/gaming-addiction-treatment
 - Gamblers Anonymous: support for friends and or family 0
 - www.gamblersanonymous.org.uk
- Help with bereavement
 - Coronavirus Bereavement guides: Coronavirus bereavement guides | Hertfordshire County Council 0
 - www.Ataloss.org: signposts bereaved to bereavement services and information 0
 - www.thegoodgrieftrust.org 0
 - 0 www.griefencounter.org.uk
 - www.childbereavementuk.org 0
 - o www.cruse.org.uk: 0808 808 1677
 - www.cruse-hertfordshire.org.uk 01707 264293 0
 - Hope Again: CRUSE bereavement care: 5-18year olds: 0808 808 1677 Mon-Fri 9.30-5pm
 - www.stand-by-me.org.uk: Bereavement support for young people and families in North Herts 0
- Help with debt
 - Consumer Counselling Credit Services: <u>www.stepchange.org</u>
 - National Debtline: Tel: 0808 808 4000 www.nationaldebtline.co.uk \circ
- Hub of Hope: mental health database: www.hubofhope.co.uk
- Help with mental health of all types:
 - o JustTalk: <u>https://www.justtalkherts.org/just-talk-herts.aspx</u>
 - Self-help resources
 - www.mentalhealth.org.uk/publications
 - https://web.ntw.nhs.uk/selfhelp/
 - https://www.camhs-resources.co.uk/
- On My Mind: https://www.annafreud.org/on-my-mind/ empowers young people to make informed choices about their mental health
- SafeSpace Mentoring Programme: through HCC and referral through professional
 - Meet with a volunteer mentor for an hour a week for 3-6 months 0
 - Opportunity to talk about anything they wish to discuss or want advice on 0
- New Leaf Wellbeing College: free educational support for >18yrs to enable better control of wellbeing
 - www.newleafcollege.co.uk; students@newleafcollege.co.uk; 01442 864966 0

- Updated regularly with support and resources

PHYSICAL AND SEXUAL HEALTH SUPPORT

- Kids Hub: offers information and support to parents and carers of disabled children aged 0-25yrs in Hertfordshire
 01923 676549 <u>www.kids.org.uk</u>
- **DSPL** (Delivering Special Provision Locally): information about support and services for children and young people 0-25yrs with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) in Hertfordshire
 - o <u>www.dspl7.org.uk</u>
- Help with contraception and sexual health
 - In Hertfordshire: Sexual Health Hertfordshire
 - 0300 008 5522 <u>www.sexualhealthhertfordshire.clch.nhs.uk</u>
 - https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/services/Health-in-Herts/Sexual-health/Sexual-health.aspx
 - Text 07860 057369: HCC SfYP information relating to sexual health
 - o <u>www.contraceptionchoices.org</u>
 - o <u>www.brook.org.uk;</u> 0808 802 1234 Mon-Fri 9-7pm
 - o www.fpa.org.uk; https://sexwise.org.uk/
 - <u>www.sh24.org.uk</u>: includes free sexually transmitted infection (STI) testing >16yrs
 - o <u>www.test.hiv</u>: HIV testing
 - BISH: <u>www.bishuk.com/about-bish:</u> guide to sex, love and you for everyone over 14.
 - o Scarleteen website: <u>www.scarleteen.com</u>: sex education for teens and emerging adults
 - <u>www.riseabove.org.uk</u>: useful stuff about sensitive issues
- Help for LGBT+ community
 - HCC SfYP LGBT website Young Pride in Herts: <u>http://www.youngprideinherts.org/</u>
 - The Proud Trust: <u>https://www.theproudtrust.org/</u>
 - Switchboard: LGBT+ helpline: 0300 330 0630; <u>www.switchboard.org.uk</u>
 - Stonewall: national LGBT+ rights charity
 - www.stonewall.org.uk
 - o Albert Kennedy Trust: charity for LGBT+ people who are homeless
 - <u>www.akt.org.uk</u>
 - o Mermaids: help for transgender community
 - http://www.mermaidsuk.org.uk/
- Abuse
 - Herts Sunflower: <u>https://www.hertssunflower.org/herts-sunflower.aspx</u>
 - Herts SARC: Sexual violence or abuse <u>https://www.hertssarc.org/</u>
- Domestic Abuse
 - o Hertfordshire Domestic Abuse Helpline
 - Mon-Fri: 9-9pm; Weekends 9-4pm: 08 088 088 088
 - The Hideout: <u>www.thehideout.org.uk</u>
- Health for Teens and Kids website
 - <u>http://www.healthforteens.co.uk/</u>
 - Herts Chat Health: 11-19yrs Text 07480 635050
 - <u>http://www.healthforkids.co.uk/</u>
- Weight Issues
 - BeeZee Bodies: <u>http://beezeebodies.com/</u>
 - o <u>Teenweightwise.com</u>
- Help for University Students: 'Thrive and Survive' guide
 - o <u>https://www.justtalkherts.org/media/documents/thrive-and-survive.pdf</u>
- Healthy Hubs: free information, advice and support to help you stay healthy and well
 - o <u>www.healthyhubs.org.uk</u>

SH:24: Increase in online STI tests and provision of oral contraception

Operating as usual Monday-Friday 9-5pm

PARENTAL SUPPORT

- Happy Maps: Reliable resources and help for parents on children's mental health
 https://www.happymaps.co.uk/
- Anna Freud: advice and guidance for parents with children and young people struggling with mental health
 - o <u>www.annafreud.org</u>
- Anxiety UK: Children & Young People with Anxiety A guide for parents & Carers
 - o https://www.moodcafe.co.uk/media/19579/cyp parents 1 2 web.pdf
- Family lives: national family support charity: help and support in all aspects of family life
 - o 0808 800 2222 (formally Parentline Plus) <u>www.familylives.org.uk</u>
- Young minds: supporting and empowering young minds
 - www.youngminds.org.uk; Parents@youngminds.org.uk
 - Helpline: 0808 802 5544: Mon-Fri 9.30-4pm
 - Parental advice and support for children up to 25yr
- MindEd: free educational resource on CYP with advice and information for families from experts
 - Health Education England <u>www.minded.org.uk</u>
- HealthTalk online: <u>www.healthtalk.org</u> patient and parents' experiences NSPCC: <u>www.nspcc.org.uk</u>
 - o <u>help@nspcc.org.uk</u>) professional counsellors 24/7 offering help, advice and support if worried about a child
 - o 0808 800 5000
- Vista: <u>http://www.vistastalbans.org.uk/</u>
 - o 07584 798528 vistastalbans@gmail.com

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- Extra support for parents and their children through the schools
- Families Feeling safe: Protective Behaviours Service
 - o <u>www.protectivebehavioursconsortium.co.uk</u>
 - o 01438 728653
 - Protective Behaviours service 0-19yr
 - o Early Intervention service to improve emotional wellbeing of children and families
 - Aims to promote resilience in children, young people, and adults, using empowerment strategies, clear communication, and awareness of "safe" behaviours
- Families First: <u>www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/familiesfirst</u>
 - o https://directory.hertfordshire.gov.uk/Services/8348
 - o 0300 123 4043 or via email familiesfirst.support@hertfordshire.gov.uk
 - Help with behavioural problems: request assessment through SENCO/Family Support worker
- Home Start Herts: emotional and practical support to parents of children <12yrs
 - o <u>www.home-startherts.org.uk</u>; 01438 367788
- Families in Focus: Hertfordshire council-approved
 - o <u>www.familiesinfocus.co.uk</u>
 - o 01442 219720
 - Free courses to build on parenting skills and anger management
 - o <a>www.hertsdirect.org/parentingsupport
 - Free parenting course through Hertfordshire county council to help and support

• DrugFAM: support for families struggling with loved one's addiction

- o <u>www.drugfam.co.uk</u> 0300 888 3853
- Families going through break up: services for parents
 - o The Tavistock Centre: https://tavistockrelationships.org/relationship-help/help-with-parenting-family-life
 - o <u>www.separatedfamilies.info</u>
 - o <u>www.kidsinthemiddle.org</u>

• Information on finding a therapist

- British Association of Counselling and Psychotherapy
 - www.bacp.co.uk; 01455 883300
- o UK Council for Psychotherapy
 - www.psychotherapy.org.uk; 0207 014 9955

• Staying safe online

- o Childnet: <u>www.childnet.com</u> aims to make the internet a safe place for children and young people
- o Child Exploitation and Online Protection Centre (CEOP): <u>https://www.ceop.police.uk/safety-centre/</u>
- The education programme from NCA-CEOP: UK organisation that protects children both online and offline
 - https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/
- Safety Net Kids: <u>https://mysafetynet.org.uk/</u>
- NSPCC: <u>www.nspcc.org.uk</u> 0800 138 663
- \circ \quad Parents Protect: practical advice including a dedicated helpline 0808 1000 900 \quad
 - <u>https://www.parentsprotect.co.uk</u>
- \circ \quad ParentZone: advice and support for parenting in the digital world
 - https://www.parents.parentzone.org.uk/

• Information on Alcohol and Young People

- <u>https://alcoholeducationtrust.org/parent-area/</u>
- Every Mind Matters Public Health Campaign: <u>https://www.nhs.uk/oneyou/every-mind-matters/</u>.
- Hertfordshire Family Centre Service
 - o <u>https://www.hertsfamilycentres.org/family-centres.aspx</u>
 - o **0300 123 7572**

• Educational psychologist in Hertfordshire

- o 01992 588 574 Wednesdays: 2-4.30pm
- Carers in Herts: advice, information and support to unpaid carers in Hertfordshire
 - o <u>www.carersinherts.org.uk</u>
 - o 01992 58 69 69
 - o <u>www.ycih.org</u> young carers
- HWE Healthier Together Website: <u>https://hwehealthiertogether.nhs.uk/</u>
 - o Parental resources across broad range of health issues and ages