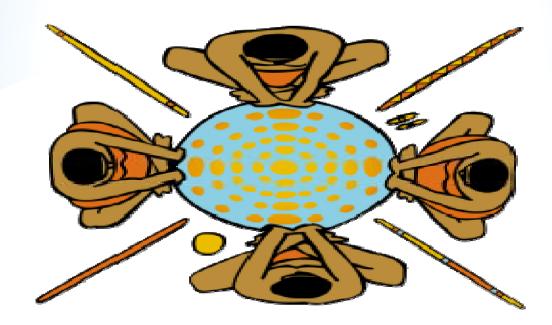
## SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL WELLBEING



# GURRINY YEALAMUCKA HEALTH SERVICES ABORIGINAL CORPORATION

LIFE PROMOTION PROGRAM

# Empowering Yarrabah

When Community take a lead Good things can happen!

Community Aspiration -

"Over a decade representatives of Yarrabah have identified the need for community ownership of their own health outcomes" Yarrabah Health

Partnerships / Yarrabah Health Framework Agreement 1 of 3. 2002

# Life Promotion Journey

## **Health Services**

- \* 1988 Yarrabah Council unhappy with health status and commissioned a health assessment resulting in a 5-Year Health Plan
- \* 1989 Establishment of the Yarrabah Health Committee
- \* 1991 Incorporation of the Yarrabah Health Committee
- \* 1993 ATSIC funds construction of a health facility only no program \$
- \* 1993 Yarrabah Council fund 1 fulltime & 2 part-time local people as IHW- Rheumatic Fever with Canteen & CDEP \$

## **Health Services**

- \* QH Community Health Nurse provided clinical supervision
- \* 1995 Suicide Crisis Community mobilised
- \* Yarrabah Council Health Service obtain \$ from QH to design and manage a <u>Suicide Prevention Program</u>
- \* Immediate reduction in the number of attempted suicides and self-harm behaviours

# Life Promotion Journey

## Health Service

- \* 1997 Yarrabah Community Council receive QH \$ to conduct Feasibility Study
- \* Feasibility study showed community control of health and community voice that you cannot make our people healthy if you don't fix the social problem from impacts of the stolen generation.
- \* 1999 \$ from SmithKline Beecham to: Support Community development, develop a Socioemotional & Spiritual Wellbeing Centre

# Gurriny Journey

- \*Decision to focus on SEWB
- \*2000 GYHSAC meet with Dr Komla Tsey (UQ) to talk FWB & Men's Groups
- \*Expansion of programs Women's & Men's Groups
- \*FWB expanded to schools, Gindaja & Justice Group
- \*By April 2007 workforce exceeded 20 local staff with 11 focused on SEWB

- \*Peak Suicide time in YBH 91-96 averaged 3-4 suicides per year
- \*9 years on from 1996 Yarrabah had 2 suicides
- \*Between 2001 & 2013 there were approx. Ten suicides, but fewer than before the implementation of the program, when 17 suicides occurred between 1990 and 1996.

## WHAT ARE SOME OF THE REASONS OUR PEOPLE ARE ATTEMPTING SELF-HARM AND OR SUICIDE?

- \*Overcrowding Houses
- \*Drug and alcohol abuse
- \*High rate of unemployment
- \*Low self-esteem
- \*Lack of confidence in own abilities
- \*Community perception and judgement
- \*Men feel disempowered not being the provider within the family

\* WHEN WE WORK WITH OUR CLIENTS, WHAT IS IMPORTANT TO SUPPORT THEM?

- \*Encourage/ Empower
- \*Talk about training, job opportunities and relationship
- \*Health and wellbeing
- \*Focus on family

## EMPLOYMENT IS A BIG PART OF HEALING

- \*Mix with others
- \*Self worth increases
- \*Dollars in your pocket
- \*Increase in control of your life
- \*Purpose
- \*Keeps clients busy and focused
- \*Sense of being a part of the community

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## The Yarrabah Community Flow Chart



A guide for individuals working with people at risk of self harm and suicide

### Questions to use to assess level of risk and to help decide where to refer

- · Is everything alright in your life?
- · Is despair/hopelessness being expressed by the person?
- · Is the person receiving treatment for mental illness/emotional problem?
- . Is there abuse of drugs or alcohol?

- . Is there a family history of suicide?
- · Have there been past suicide attempts?
- · Are they thinking about suicide?
- · Have they a suicide plan?
- · Do they have access to means (e.g. gun)?
- · What protective factors do they have?

### **Medium to High Risk**

- Multiple risk factors present (consider answers to the above questions)
- \* Active suicidal thoughts present

### Low Risk

Low Risk DOES NOT MEAN No Risk

### Agreeable to a referral at next possible time

#### Acute Care Team (ACT) 8.00am - 4.30pm

4226 3100 Outside of the above times, phone Cairns Base Hospital on 4226 0000

and ask for Acute Care Team. Child and Youth Mental Health (under 18)

Weekdays: 8.00am-4.30pm

4226 3400 Other times as per ACT

### In an emergency

	Police link131 444
l	Police Emergency000
l	Mobile phones with no
ı	coverage11
l	Yarrabah Primary Care
ı	Centre4226 4100
ı	Qld Ambulance00
l	Suicide Helpline Call Back
l	Service1300 659 46
l	When making a referral, the
ı	following should be said:

'Hello, I'm ...... from ...... I have a person with me who is at HIGH

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### Other options for referral & assistance

Cairns Integrated Mental	Contract of the last of the la
Health Service	4226 3100
Cairns Regional DV Service	4033 6100
Carainity Youth Haralds House.	0408 770 899
Centacare, Cairns	
Community Health Centres -	
Cairns	4226 4500
Edmonton	4226 4900
Dads in Distress	1300 853 437
DV Connect Mensline	1800 600 636
Elder Abuse Helpline	1300 651 192
Gay & Lesbian Counselling	1800 184 527
Headspace (Cairns)	4041 3780
Mental Health Carers	
ARAFMI Qld Inc Supportline	1800 351 881
Mission Australia	
Parent Line	
PHAMS	4056 9444
Pregnancy Counselling Link	1800 777 690
Qld Assoc for Healthy	

#### 'arrabah Women's Resource Centre. Vuchopperen Health Service. ..4080 1036 .4051 4927

1300 364 277

.4056 0666

..4056 0333

1800 010 120

1300 139 703

Relationships Australia.

Yarrabah Primary School.

Sexual Assault Helpline...

lictims of Crime Support.

'arrabah Secondary Department.

24 hour referral services:	
13Health	1343 2584
Alcohol & Drug Inform. Serv Bereaved by Suicide	
beyondblue Supportline	1300 224 636
Child Safety Services	1300 368 186
Life Bereavement Support Service Lifeline Australia	131 114
Mens Line Australia Poisons Information Centre Salvo Care Line	131 126
StandBy Suicide Callback Service Veterans Counselling Service	0459 299 147
Totalia Counselling Service	1000 011 040

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