



**MENTAL
HEALTH
FIRST AID**
Australia

BLENDED MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID **FOR TERTIARY STUDENTS**

Learn how to provide mental health first aid to fellow students.



The Blended Mental Health First Aid for Tertiary Students course will teach you how to assist peers who may be experiencing a mental health problem or mental health crisis until appropriate professional help is received or the crisis resolves, using a practical, evidence based Action Plan.

This course is based on guidelines developed through the expert consensus of people with lived experience of mental health problems and professionals.

Mental health problems covered

- Depression and anxiety
- Eating Disorders
- Psychosis
- Substance use problems

Mental health crises covered

- Suicidal thoughts and behaviours
- Non-suicidal self-injury
- Panic attacks
- Traumatic events
- Severe psychotic states
- Severe effects from alcohol or other drug use
- Aggressive behaviours.



What is the format?

This course involves self-paced eLearning followed by a 4-hour face-to-face workshop.



Why attend an MHFA course?

Evaluations consistently show that MHFA training is associated with improved knowledge of mental illnesses, their treatments and appropriate first aid strategies, and confidence in providing first aid to individuals with mental illness. It is also associated with decreased stigma and an increase in help provided.



What will you learn at the workshop?

- Apply the MHFA Action Plan to relevant scenarios
- Discuss and reflect on applying mental health first aid skills to fellow students
- Answer any questions from the eLearning modules.



Become an Accredited Mental Health First Aider

Demonstrate your mental health first aid skills by becoming an Accredited Mental Health First Aider. Complete an online assessment after the course to become accredited.



How do I sign up?

This course has two parts:

1. Enrol online and complete the eLearning modules
2. Attend a face-to-face workshop. Go to the Course Calendar on our website and select a course in your area.

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