

The Supporter Newsletter



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Wakefield Safe Space have had a name change and are now Here For You



Struggling to cope, feeling down, having thoughts of self-harm or suicide?

You are not alone. We are: Here For You

- Kirklees: 07741900395
- Leeds: 07760173476
- Wakefield: 07776962815

Every Evening, All Year Round 6pm to Midnight.

Free, safe and confidential support.









NHS

64% of people don't know that you can self-refer to NHS Talking Therapies online to access treatment for anxiety and depression **NHS Talking Therapies can help**

Wakefield Safe Space has changed its name and are now known as "Here For You".

We Listen When You Just Need To Talk

Call for Same Night Help In Our Safe Support Spăces

Every Day of the Year From 6pm

wakefieldcouncil working for you

Here For You

Calling local parents and carers!

Thursday 22 February 2024

Between 10.00 and 11.30 am **Oakhill Family Hub Hardwick Road** Featherstone **WF7 5JB**

nhs.uk/talk

Use your ideas and make a difference. Just turn up or call Anne-Marie to find out more on 07597 80162.

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NHS Talking

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healthwatch Wakefield



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and join us for an informal chat and the opportunity to share your personal experiences, concerns or struggles with all things SEND and PfA related, including:

 Health Employment

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0800 068 4141 07860 039 967 pat@papyrus-uk.org

Independent living

·Relationships and Community Inclusion

With: Sammi Zafir: Supported Employment & Preparing for Adulthood Coordinator **Annette Patrick: Post 16 Officer** Tiarnan Farmer: Post 16 Officer For Further Information please contact SENDPFA@wakefield.gov.uk

Three tips for responding when someone opens up about their mental health:

- Take it seriously 1.
 - Listen and ask questions
- Don't try and fix it 3.

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If you're in Wales:





0300 123 3393

Who you can talk to this #TimeToTalk Day

Open 9am-6pm weekdays

116 123 Always open

0800 58 58 58 Open 5pm - midnight

0800 132 737 Always open

Text THEMIX to 85258 Always open

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24 hour Mental Health Helpline



Are you feeling worried or stressed? We're here to help 24 hours a day, seven days a week. 0800 183 0558

We run a confidential helpline for people with mental health needs and their carers.

It's available to adults in the Calderdale, Kirklees, Wakefield, Leeds and Barnsley areas.

We provide emotional support to improve your mood and wellbeing.

We'll listen and give you the help you need to get back on track.

Working in partnership with the NHS in Kirklees, Calderdale, Wakefield, Leeds and Barnsley.

FREE SUPPORT FOR YOUR MENTAL HEALTH

TURNING POINT TALKING THERAPIES

If you are aged 16 years or older and are registered with a GP in the Wakefield or Five Towns District, you can access our services by contacting us directly.



WHAT WE CAN HELP WITH

- Stress
- Depression & Low Mood
- Anxiety & Worry
- Obsessive Compulsive Disorder
- Panic Disorders & Panic Attacks
- Low Self-Esteem & Low Confidence
- Social Anxiety
- Post Traumatic Stress Disorder
- Health Anxiety
- Chronic Pain & Long Term Health Conditions
- Complex Grief
- Phobias
- Poor Sleep

GROUPS ONE TO ONE ONLINE FACE TO FACE VIDEO CALL TELEPHONE

TURNING POINT TALKING THERAPIES For more information scan the QR code or contact us on the below:

- talking.turning-point.co.uk
- C 01924 234 860
- line wakefield.talking@turning-point.co.uk

HOW WE CAN HELP

- Wellbeing Workshops & Webinars
- Guided Self-Help
- Online CBT Therapy SilverCloud
- Cognitive Behavioural Therapy
- Eye Movement Desensitisation & Reprocessing Therapy
- Interpersonal Therapy
- Dynamic Interpersonal Therapy
- Couples Therapy for Depression
- Emotion Focused Counselling
- Mindfulness



FREE EMOTIONAL WELLBEING WORKSHOPS

TURNING POINT TALKING THERAPIES

Delivered by qualified therapists and co-produced by experts by experience, our informal workshop sessions have been designed to provide you with useful techniques and coping strategies to help improve your mental health and wellbeing.

As well as providing you with useful information about common mental health symptoms.

To access you need to be aged 16+ and be registered with a Wakefield or Five Towns GP.

MINDFUL PREGNANCY - COPING WITH STRESS & POSITIVE BIRTH

Fri 2nd Feb: 10:00am - 12:00pm

COMBATTING LOW MOOD

Sun 4th Feb: 11:30am - 13:00pm

ANGER & IRRITABILITY

Sun 4th Feb: 13:00pm - 14:30pm

MANAGING INTRUSIVE THOUGHTS

Sun 11th Feb: 11:30am - 13:00pm

OVERCOMING PANIC ATTACKS

Sun 11th Feb: 13:00pm - 14:30pm

MANAGING INTRUSIVE THOUGHTS (Socialicious Recovery Hub - WF1 1PN)

Thurs 15th Feb: 13:30pm - 14:30pm

*All are delivered via TEAMS, unless otherwise stated.

TURNING POINT TALKING THERAPIES

For more information and to book your place onto any workshop, scan the QR code, or contact us on the below:

- talking.turning-point.co.uk/workshops
- 🕒 01924 234 860

🙊 wakefield.talking@turning-point.co.uk

KEEP MOVING FORWARD

Thurs 15th Feb: 17:30pm - 19:00pm

MINDFUL PREGNANCY - MANAGING ANXIETY AND CONNECTING WITH BABY

Fri 16th Feb: 10:00am - 12:00pm

BOOSTING LOW SELF ESTEEM

Sun 18th Feb: 11:30am - 13:00pm

MENOPAUSE & ME

Sun 18th Feb: 13:00pm - 14:30pm

MANAGING ANXIETY & WORRY Sun 25th Feb: 11:30am - 13:00pm

LIVING WITH CHRONIC PAIN Sun 25th Feb: 13:00pm - 14:30pm

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@wakefieldtalkingtherapies







180 years of Eastmoor: its people and their houses

Come and see this new exhibition that celebrates the

architectural and social heritage of Eastmoor

from the small Victorian settlement that was centred on Stanley Road to the later council estate that was built in the 20th century

> Wakefield Library: Saturday 10th February until Saturday 24th February

St. Swithun's Community Centre: Monday 26th February 10am until 6th March

For further information visit https://bit.ly/180yearsofeastmoor







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This new "Children's Health Services App - HDFT" is crammed with helpful advice and help on infant feeding, schools, immunisation, diet and exercise with new affordable recipes, local support and activities from all the Wakefield Families Together partners. It's free to download right now and available for both Android and Apple devices.

https://www.hdft.nhs.uk/services/childrens-services/wakefield-0-19-service/



Scan the QR code or search for 'Children's Health Service HDFT App' www.hdftchildrenshealthservice.co.uk















FREE Workshops for parents of disabled children.

EQUALITY INSPIRING EMBRACING

Thursday, 1st February: Friday, 9th February: Children's Behavior Workshop: Stress and Anger Time: 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM Management: Venue: Ossett War Memorial Community Centre, WF5 8AN Time: 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM Focus: Understanding and managing children's behavior Venue: Lightwaves difficulties through role play and scenarios. Community Centre, WF1 3LJ Addressing Children's Mental Health: Time: 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM Focus: Building confidence, Venue: Ossett War Memorial Community Centre, WF5 8AN addressing stress and anger Focus: Exploring children's mental health, behavior strategies, triggers, and improving available services, and courses. individual skills. Thursday, 29th February: Wednesday, 28th Taking Care of Your Needs as a Parent/Carer of February: **Disabled Children:** Children's Mindfulness: Time: 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM Time: 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM Venue: Jubilee Hall Community Centre, WF2 8NS Venue: Castle Children's Focus: Developing skills for self-care, using interactive Centre, WF1 5NJ activities, role play, guizzes, and relaxation techniques. Focus: Practicing mindfulness Being Your Disabled Children's Advocate: techniques for children, Time: 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM handling negative emotions, Venue: Jubilee Hall Community Centre, WF2 8NS Focus: Understanding the role of a child's advocate, and managing stress. necessary skills, jargon used in meetings, and building confidence. Wednesday, 6th March: Wednesday, 13th March: Accessing SEND Services Self-Harm in Children: and Navigating Support: Time: 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM Time: 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM Venue: Jubilee Hall Community Centre, WF2 8NS Venue: Castle Children's Centre, Focus: Increasing knowledge about self-harm in children, WF1 5NJ spotting triggers, and supporting children in managing self-Focus: Navigating information harm. and services, understanding Working to Overcome Anxieties: SEND matters, local hubs, and Time: 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM

Venue: Jubilee Hall Community Centre, WF2 8NS **Focus:** Exploring individual anxiety issues, acquiring necessary skills, and practical solutions for daily life, especially as a carer.

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What Parents & Carers Need to Know about SERESTRIC,



MyLOL is a free social networking and dating site aimed at teens. Profiles can publicly display users' images and information, including sexual orientation and personal interests. The service bills itself as "the number one teen dating website in the world", claiming to have more than a million users globally. Despite its popularity, the MyLOL app is no longer available from Google Play or the App Store, although the site is still active. In some countries, police forces and schools have previously warned parents about "sinister predators" and "inappropriate activities" on the site.

FLIMSY AGE GATES

Although MyLOL states it is exclusively aimed at users aged between 13 and 19, there is no credible age verification system to prevent a younger child – or an older adult – from signing up to the platform. Coupled with the fact that it's impossible to establish a user's true identity on MyLOL, this raises a serious concern that the site could be used for grooming.

AGE-INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

UNDER MyLOL maintains that it monitors all uploaded images for nudity or sexual content. It also claims to be sexual content. It also claims to be able to detect suspicious keywords. However, there have been numerous reports of explicit content being found on the platform, with users often posting provocative, semi-nude pictures of themselves and engaging in flirty or sexually explicit conversation.

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POTENTIAL CYBER-BULLYING

MyLOL lets users 'vote' on other people based solely on their appearance, much in the same vein as the now-defunct site Hot or Not. This feature could easily lead to distress and bullying, especially if a young person's profile pics receive an unfavourable response. Various reviews of MyLOL have noted that bullying frequently becomes an issue in the platform's chat groups and private messages.

IN-APP SPENDING 🔍

MyLOL is free to join and use, but it also offers paid-for memberships. Users who have paid money get their profile promoted at the top of the site and in search results. They can also earn additional credits for can also earn additional creats for increased engagement with the platform – such as sharing, replying to messages and voting. At the time of writing, the monthly membership fee was \$9.95 (just under £8).

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DATA COLLECTION 🛒

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According to its privacy policy, ¹²¹⁰ MyLOL collects user data including email addresses, contact details and interests. While the company says it is committed to protecting users' privacy. the small print states that is committed to protecting users' privacy, the small print states that information may be shared externally. MyLOL claims to follow procedures to keep data secure, but does not specify what these procedures are, or whether such information is encrypted.

CONTACT FROM STRANGERS

MyLOL makes it easy to connect with strangers. In fact, the site's rewards feature encourages users to send private messages to people they don't know. There have been several media stories of adults posing as teens on MyLOL to connect with minors, which could lead to extremely dangerous situations, such as a young person meeting up with someone who has been posting under a false identity.

Advice for Parents & Carers

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DISCUSS ONLINE DATING

It's vital to talk to your child about the possible dangers of platforms like MyLOL – particularly the threat of online predators. Remind them of the risks of sharing intimate images and information with strangers and emphasise that most people don't realise they're being 'catfished' until it's too late – it really isn't wise for a young person to meet up with someone they've only spoken to online.

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RESTRICT IN-APP SPENDING

If your child has access to a bank card or other payment method, they may be enticed into signing up for MyLOL's premium features. Having their profile boosted and receiving more attention could be especially tempting if their friends also use the site. You could consider altering their device's settings to disable internet purchases, or at the very least keeping an eye on their online spending.

Meet Our Expert

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EXPLAIN PRIVACY RISKS

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6 Before your child begins using a service such as MyLOL, it's important that they understand the potential pitfalls of giving out their personal data on this type of platform. Explain to them, for example, that they shouldn't divulge any personally identifying information to people who they don't know, as scammers can be quite convincing when attempting to steal someone's identity.

SET UP LOCATION ALERTS

If you're worried that your child may be planning to meet up with someone they've met on MyLOL, you could consider utilising GPS or WiFi location tracking technology to follow their whereabouts in real time. You can even set up a virtual boundary or 'fence' and opt to receive an alert to your phone if your child enters or exits a specified area.





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General Self-Management Programme

For those living with any long term condition

An opportunity for you to learn and share supportive tools and techniques together with others - to help you stay more in control of your health and wellbeing

Focus of the programme:

- Set goals to build self confidence
- Practice problem solving tools for challenging times
- Plan how to work in partnership with healthcare teams
- Learn how a healthy lifestyle can support condition management

Carers of loved ones with long term conditions are also welcome to participate

When: 1:00pm until 3:30pm every Tuesday for 6 weeks -9 April until 14 May 2024

Where: Online using the free Microsoft Teams App

Participants must be 18+, and live in the Wakefield district, or be registered with a Wakefield GP

For more information and future in person/online dates, please contact us:

livewellwakefield@swyt.nhs.uk 🕓 01924 255363 🌐 www.livewellwakefield.nhs.uk





Empowering people with long term conditions to live their best life This programme is delivered by people with lived experience of long term conditions

New Beginnings for Mental Health Programme

For those living with a mental health condition

An opportunity for you to learn and share supportive tools and techniques together with others - to help you stay more in control of your emotional wellbeing, and improve the quality of your life

Focus of the programme:

- Set small goals to build confidence
- Explore how food can affect our mood
- Plan set-back strategies for difficult days
- Learn relaxation skills for troubling thoughts
- Practice tools to manage daily anxiety/mood



When: 24th April to 5th June 2024, 10:30 AM - 1:00 PM. Every Wednesday for 7 weeks

Where: online using the free Microsoft Teams app

Participants must be 18+, and live in the Wakefield district, or be registered with a Wakefield GP

For more information and future dates, please contact us:

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JEWELLERY MAKING

Course starts 9th February and runs for 4 weeks

Fridays 10am-1pm

St George's Community Centre, Broadway, Lupset **WF2 8AA**

Week 1 - Native American Olgala butterfly bracelet

- Week 2 Beaded beads necklace
- Week 3 Upcycled ring pull bracelet
- Week 4 Native American beaded daisu chain necklace



Sessions £3 a week for £10 for all 4 (cash only). Reserve your spot today by booking online, calling us on 01924 369631 or visit us at St George's Community Centre, Broadway, Lupset WF2 8AA.

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This project is funded by UK Government through the Shared Prosperity Fund

BOOK NOW!



FREE COURSE!

ESSENTIAL DIGITAL SKILLS

Wednesdays 9.30am - 2.30pm

21st February (15 sessions)



St Swithun's Community Centre, Arncliffe Road, Wakefield, WF1 4RR

C Usman Manzoor – 07511 178204 sman.manzoor@woodspeentraining.co.uk

By the end of the course

Cook, chop and natter

Come and learn maths in a fun and exciting way on a brand new one day course! A £40 shopping voucher is yours on completion of learning.

Make a delicious dessert amongst friends! Use maths to calculate ingredients and portion size!

Realise

- Learn how to understand percentages on food labels and what they mean to you and your family!

aned to help you learn maths in an rable and fun way. All we need from you dication, enthusiasm and the readiness

Eligibility

- Multiply is a fully funded government programme. To be eligible, you must: Be over 19 years old
- Not have a GCSE maths qualification at grade 4 or equivalent
- Have the right to live and work in the UK
- Have photographic ID/passport to enrol

Monday 5th February 9am - 3pm OR

Thursday 8th February 9am - 3pm



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With **all of us** in mind.

South West Yorkshire Partnership

Journaling for wellbeing

Journaling has been proven to have a positive effect on mental health. This course will provide an opportunity for you to learn how to start journaling as a means to maintain your wellbeing. You will discover the proven benefits of journaling and have the chance to experiment and practice some of the recognised techniques suggested. You will discover a range of activities and prompts including the art of reflection and free writing allowing you to connect to your emotions in a new light.

19th of February 2024- 10.00am-11.45am 4 Weeks

Prosper House, 59 Upper Warrengate, Wakefield, WF1 4JZ

> Face to face 18+



Contact the college to enrol www.wakefieldrecoverycollege.nhs.uk wakefieldrecoverycollege@swyt.nhs.uk 01924 316946



South West Yorkshire Partnership

Celebrate Wakefield's Year 2024 Exhibition - Creative Workshop

Our partners at the West Yorkshire History Centre are inviting students to come along to create art and craft pieces inspired by the records within the John Goodchild Collection to be part of the West Yorkshire History Centre exhibition.

John Goodchild was a local historian and antiquarian who amassed this collection over his lifetime. Believed to be one of the largest private collections relating to Yorkshire collected by a single individual, the John Goodchild Collection truly reflects our Yorkshire heritage with a wide variety of records from 12th century onwards. You will have the opportunity to look at how the areas around us have changed, how they look now compared to the past and how would we like them to look in the future? We will use a series of picture postcards, letters, advertisements and journals from the collection to think about what's changed since they were created and how quickly things are changing now with buildings coming and going. We will use drawings & paintings, crafting patches & calligraphy to create something new from something old.

You will have the opportunity to experience original archival records, gain confidence and skills in using Archive services and have fun creating your own masterpiece for the exhibition.

Whether it's a poem or a painting, the work created by the students will form part of our John Goodchild Exhibition, our Year 2024 celebrations and be displayed in the West Yorkshire History Centre for all visitors to see!

28th of February 2024-10.30am-12.30pm

2 Weeks

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West Yorkshire History Centre, 127 Kirkgate, Wakefield, WF1 1JG

Face to face 18+

> Contact the college to enrol: www.wakefieldrecoverycollege.nhs.uk wakefieldrecoverycollege@swyt.nhs.uk 01924 316946



South West Yorkshire Partnership

The truths about smoking and tobacco

Smoking is still the greatest cause of preventable death in the UK and our aim within Yorkshire Smokefree Wakefield is to help as many smokers quit as possible, but we also want to educate as many people as possible about the risks of smoking and the health benefits to quitting. We want to increase the knowledge of the population about the ways to quit and how Yorkshire Smokefree can help.

If you have an interest in health improvement, are a smoker yourself or know someone who would like to quit and would like to find out more ways of quitting then come along to this interactive session.

The session will be information giving via PowerPoint but we will also have an interactive quiz and a chance to have a go on our carbon monoxide

13th of March 2024- 12.45pm-1.45pm

Prosper House, 59 Upper Warrengate, Wakefield, WF1 4JZ

> Face to face 18+



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Illegal Tobacco, Vapes and Organised Crime

Serious organised crime gangs are bringing illegal nicotine products into our area, threatening the safety and health of local people.

This session will open your eyes to an issue many are unaware of, happening here on your doorstep. You will find out why selling cheap tobacco is not a victimless crime, learn about its effect on public health and see evidence of links to crimes like modern day slavery.

You will also learn how to spot different types of illegal cigarettes, the laws relating to vapes and what you can do to help tackle the issue and protect your health.

The session includes images and videos from West Yorkshire Trading Standards enforcement visits, including the surprising ways illegal tobacco is hidden.

13th March 2024- 2.00pm-3.00pm

Prosper House, 59 Upper Warrengate, Wakefield, WF1 4JZ

With all of us in mind.

Face to face 18+





CLOTHES RAP

Neat rows Clothes pose Standing attention Worth a mention Leather not faux Don't you know? Shoes to fit **Pullovers knit** New suit What a beaut Off the peg **Shorten leg** All your kit **Great fit Fashion best** Nothing less **Smart strides** Stand with pride Lots of coats **Push out boat**

Annual coat Good quote Can afforder Wardrobe order Always fit Cool kit Clothes to crave Time to save Never mind shop With all these clothes It's time to stop.

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