Community Catch-up



May 2025





Monthly Updates

As we start Mental Health week 2025, we are supporting conversations about 'Unmasking mental health' and acknowledging how open and honest conversations can reduce stigma and create connection.

We strive at ICMHA to create spaces where people are included and have a sense of belonging.

We are excited to be having a planter garden installed this month and gardening will be available as an activity in the next couple of weeks.

We have two new groups starting this month, Anxiety support and Emotional Wellness. These discussion focused groups are registered groups, and each week will cover a new topic. People can choose to attend every week or choose the weeks that most interest them.

The anxiety group will explore:

- Understanding anxiety
- Coping strategies
- Managing anxiety triggers
- Resilience and selfcompassion
- Lifestyle factors
- Resourcing and technology

The Emotional Wellness group will explore:

- Mindfulness
- Self-compassion
- Strengths based living
- Resilience
- Positive communication
- Self-Care

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Program Particulars



Grow

The Grow program provides Psychosocial Rehabilitation (or PSR) services designed to promote personal recovery, successful community integration, and maintenance of a satisfactory quality of life.



Bridge

The BRIDGE Centre is an activity-based program for adults aged 19 yrs + who live with cognitive and mental health conditions.

The program aims to enhance coping skills and community connection.



<u>Seniors Support</u> Network

This is an activity-based program for adults 60yrs +. The program focuses on decreasing social isolation, peer support, healthy living, and maintaining independence.



PEER Support

All our Peer Support Workers have first hand knowledge of the challenges of Mental Health. The Program offers a variety of low barrier services to connect with others.



Networks offers client-driven, individualized support for individuals recovering from mental illness to find and maintain paid employment or education of their choosing.

Mental Health Week



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