

The Coalition has a Real Action Plan to improve

Mental Health



The Coalition's Real Action Plan for expanded frontline services in mental health.

Almost half of all Australians will experience a mental health disorder at some point in their life. Many more will be impacted as a family member or friend grapples with a mental health problem.

The Coalition's \$1.5 billion mental health plan will:

- ✓ **Establish 20 Early Psychosis Intervention Centres** in major metropolitan and regional areas, providing healthcare aimed at recovery and prevention of relapse.
- ✓ **Provide 800 beds for acute and sub-acute care** specifically to support the Early Psychosis Prevention and Intervention Centres.
- ✓ **Fund an additional 60 *headspace* sites**, providing one-stop-shops for young people with information and services relating to general health and wellbeing, mental health and alcohol and drug services.

“the most significant announcement by any political party in relation to a targeted, evidence-based investment in mental health”.

Professor John Mendoza
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