



## YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID COURSE



### **Learn skills and gain confidence to assist young people experiencing mental health problems.**

*Mental illnesses often start in adolescence or early adulthood and it is important to detect problems early to ensure the young person is properly treated and supported. The YMHFA course teaches adults who have frequent contact with adolescents, such as parents, guardians, school staff, sport coaches and youth workers, how to assist adolescents who are developing a mental health problem, experiencing a worsening of a mental health problem or in a mental health crisis.*

**If you're interested in attending this course, please use contact details below to enrol. Hurry limited spots available!**

**LOCATION:** Lorne Community House 16 Mountjoy Parade Lorne

**DATE:** Tuesday 14 March & Wednesday 15 March 2017 8.30am to 4.30pm

**PRICE:** FREE

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**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

#### **COURSE INFORMATION**

- 14-hour Youth Mental Health First Aid (YMHFA) course
- Course topics cover: developing mental health problems, depression, anxiety problems, psychosis, eating disorders and substance use problems, as well as suicide and other mental health crises.
- Participants receive a copy of the Youth MHFA manual
- Participants are eligible to become an accredited Mental Health First Aider.

*Participants will learn about adolescent development and the signs and symptoms of mental health problems, how and where to get help and what sort of help has been shown by research to be effective.*

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