

2019 Submission - Royal Commission into Victoria's Mental Health System

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What are your suggestions to improve the Victorian community's understanding of mental illness and reduce stigma and discrimination?

WorkSafe Victoria are as much involved in bullying as employers failing to help people or investigate matters correctly! Even WorkSafe lawyers are worse than anyone with failure to get documents help follow the law or understand mental illness. No one in the system has any training or understanding about mental illness it's all about money. My work has had 3 suicides and too many marriage break ups as well as being in fairwork and there are numerous people taking things to court and on work over with mental illness caused by work. Yet nothing is done to help these people and their families

What is already working well and what can be done better to prevent mental illness and to support people to get early treatment and support?

N/A

What is already working well and what can be done better to prevent suicide?

N/A

What makes it hard for people to experience good mental health and what can be done to improve this? This may include how people find, access and experience mental health treatment and support and how services link with each other.

"Start by government acting on unsafe work environments that cause mental illness look into the work cover claims investigate, train people to understand and know what to look for"

What are the drivers behind some communities in Victoria experiencing poorer mental health outcomes and what needs to be done to address this?

N/A

What are the needs of family members and carers and what can be done better to support them?

Family members need support and help

What can be done to attract, retain and better support the mental health workforce, including peer support workers?

N/A

What are the opportunities in the Victorian community for people living with mental illness to improve their social and economic participation, and what needs to be done to realise these opportunities?

N/A

Thinking about what Victorias mental health system should ideally look like, tell us what areas and reform ideas you would like the Royal Commission to prioritise for change?

N/A

What can be done now to prepare for changes to Victorias mental health system and support improvements to last?

N/A

Is there anything else you would like to share with the Royal Commission?

Please contact me over this i can tell you so much because it has effected me and my family and my illness was caused by work