

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

Organisation Name

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Name

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

"I have created 2 videos - one related to my late sister Cheryl Hipworth, titled 'Cheryl Hipworth Beyond the Grave' and my late friend Bernard Daniels - titled 'Bernard's Crusade'. They are both public videos on YouTube, and the 2 links are: <https://youtu.be/wMCSqU2IMFc> (Cheryl Hipworth) <https://youtu.be/bZ7gfG4S37Y> (Bernard's Crusade) They are both self-explanatory including defining the major problems with the Mental Health system and my recommendations for significant improvement. "

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?

NA

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

NA

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.

NA

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

NA

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

NA

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

NA

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?

NA

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?

NA

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

NA

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

"People with psychosocial life problems are suffering/ dying every day because the system is not designed to care for each person as a unique human being. Do no harm is not being practiced across the whole system. It is tragic, inhumane and 99% avoidable at a vastly lower cost than the current system."