

EAP wellbeing support



Northern Queensland Primary Health Network (NQPHN) is offering **FREE** counselling support for all Pharmacists and their pharmacy staff in the NQPHN region through AccessEAP.

It is common to experience a range of intense emotions during a rapidly evolving pandemic such as coronavirus (COVID-19).

The immediate loss of control and threat to personal safety can be frightening, as well as stresses associated with financial and emotional wellbeing, and can lead to severe and acute shock, distress, and anxiety.

People who have faced potential loss, injury, or even death, from a pandemic such as COVID-19 will experience a range of feelings immediately, weeks and possibly months later, especially with the COVID-19 situation.

The memories and associated fear that a similar event will reoccur can be long lasting.

You may wish to speak confidentially with a counsellor who will understand your emotional response, who will listen without judgment, offer information, and assist you with strategies to minimise the negative impact of the pandemic.

Seeking counselling is not a sign of weakness. Counselling can help significantly in the recovery process.

How to get in touch

To access this confidential service, please **contact AccessEAP on 1800 818 728** and **identify as one of these groups when calling into our service, starting with Northern Queensland Primary Health Network, then Chemist staff.**

For more information on AccessEAP, visit their website at www.accesseap.com.au



***Please note:** If you are a member of Pharmacy Guild Queensland, you will already have free access to *Pharmacists' Support Service*. Ring 1300 244 910 to get in touch.

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