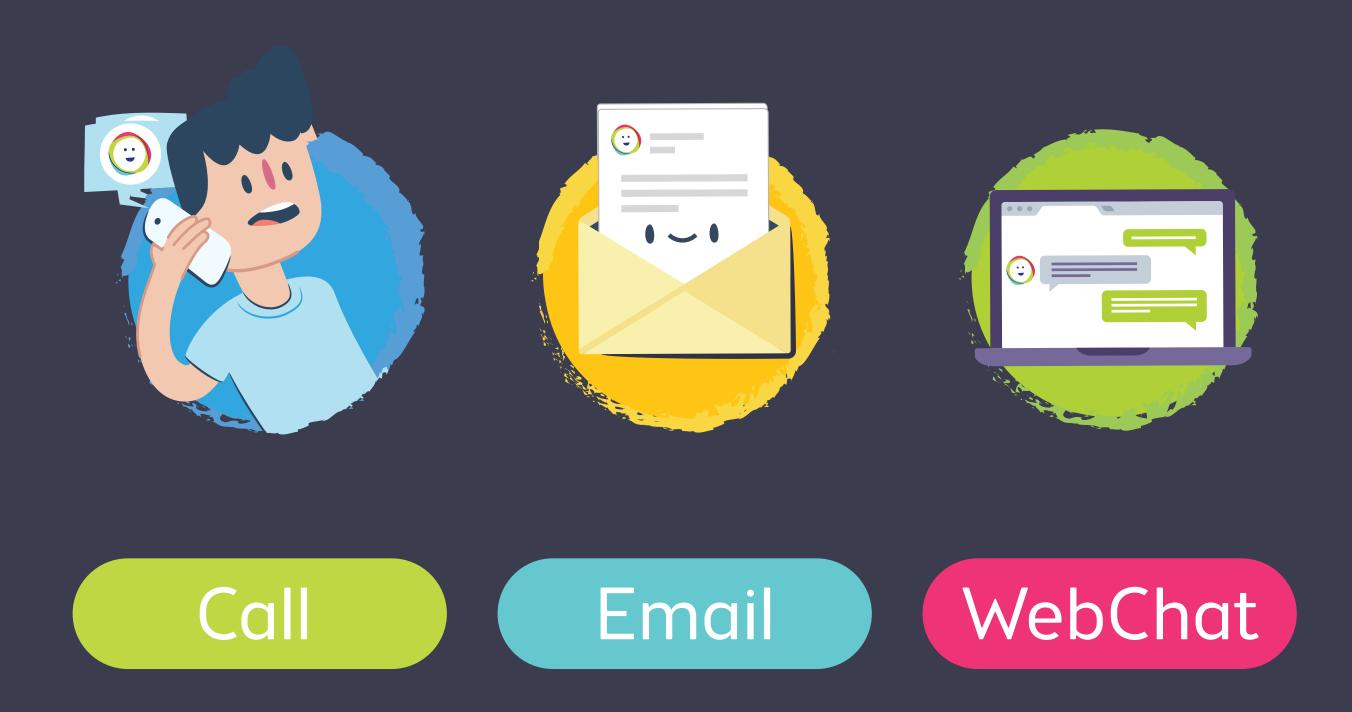






# Kids Helpline is Australia's only **free, confidential 24/7 online and phone counselling service** for young people aged 5 to 25.



Why do people contact us? In 2020, Kids Helpline received 90,077 counselling contacts

30% Other e.g. dating, bullying, friendship issues, etc...

Family relationships

20%

**Mental health** 

25%

Emotional wellbeing

25%



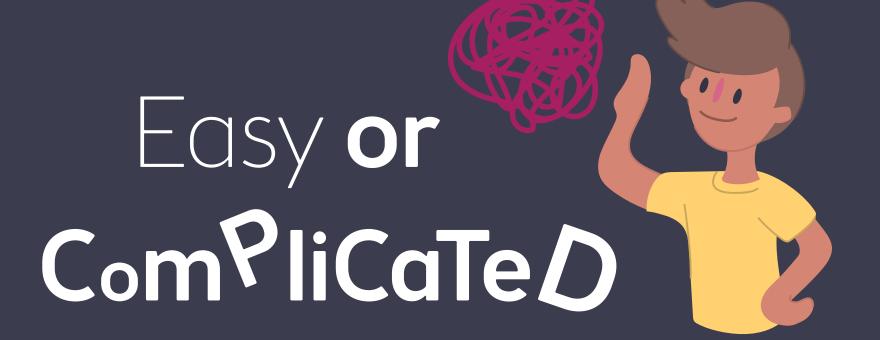
# Any Reason or small

future...or now



IMPORTANT! or just a little bit on-your-mind

Short or



#### Feedback

"After two whole years of knowing about Kids Helpline, I finally gathered the courage to pick up the phone. If you're bullied or just need someone to talk to, don't hesitate to ring Kids Helpline!

It's one of the best things I did."

- Sally, 14

"I had always thought about calling Kids Helpline, so one day, I did! They talked me through how I was feeling and all my worries." -Jacob, 13





#### Counsellors

Kids Helpline has 160 professional Counsellors who are passionate about supporting young people











# How does counselling help?



Develop resilience



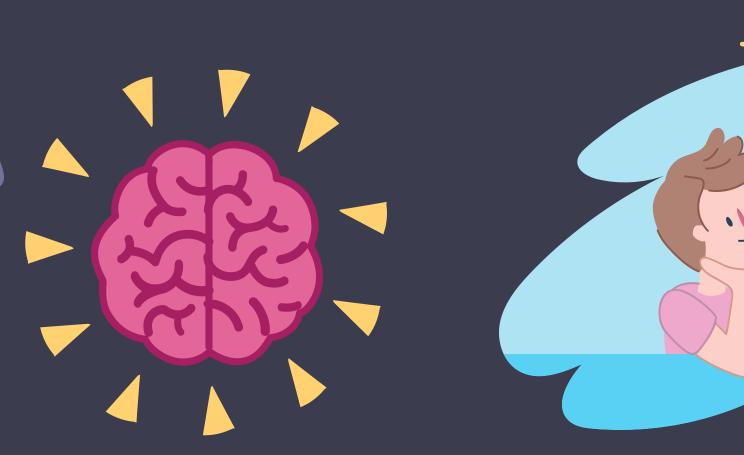


**Problem-solve** 



Brainstorm

Gain perspective





Plan

Find options



#### Phone 1800 55 1800

- You will hear a recorded message that explains a bit about how Kids Helpline works.
- If we are busy, you might be on hold for a little while. You can put the phone on loudspeaker and do something fun or relaxing while you wait.
- The Counsellor will answer and help you get started talking by asking some questions.



#### Email

#### counsellor@kidshelpline.com.au

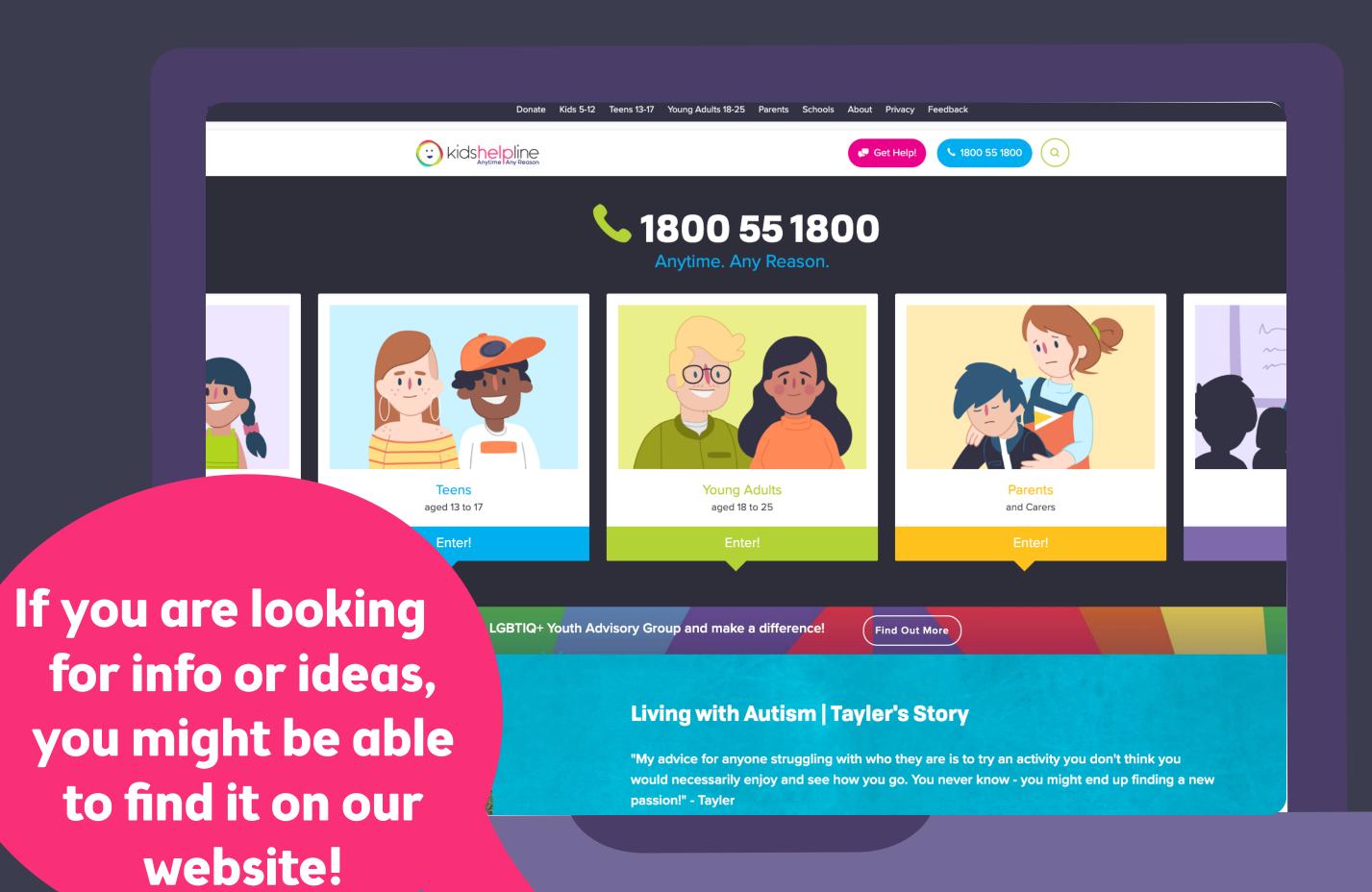
- Your email is received by a Counsellor.
- It might take us a few days to respond.
- If you need more immediate support, call or WebChat.
- So the Counsellor can jump straight in to talking with you about what's happening, be sure to include as much info as possible.

### WebChat kidshelpline.com.au

- Instant messaging with a counsellor;
   you cannot see or hear each other.
- When you connect, you will be asked a few questions.
- You will go into the queue to wait.
- It can sometimes take a while to get through to a Counsellor, particularly in the evening, so feel free to open other browsers (to watch a video or play a game) while you wait.

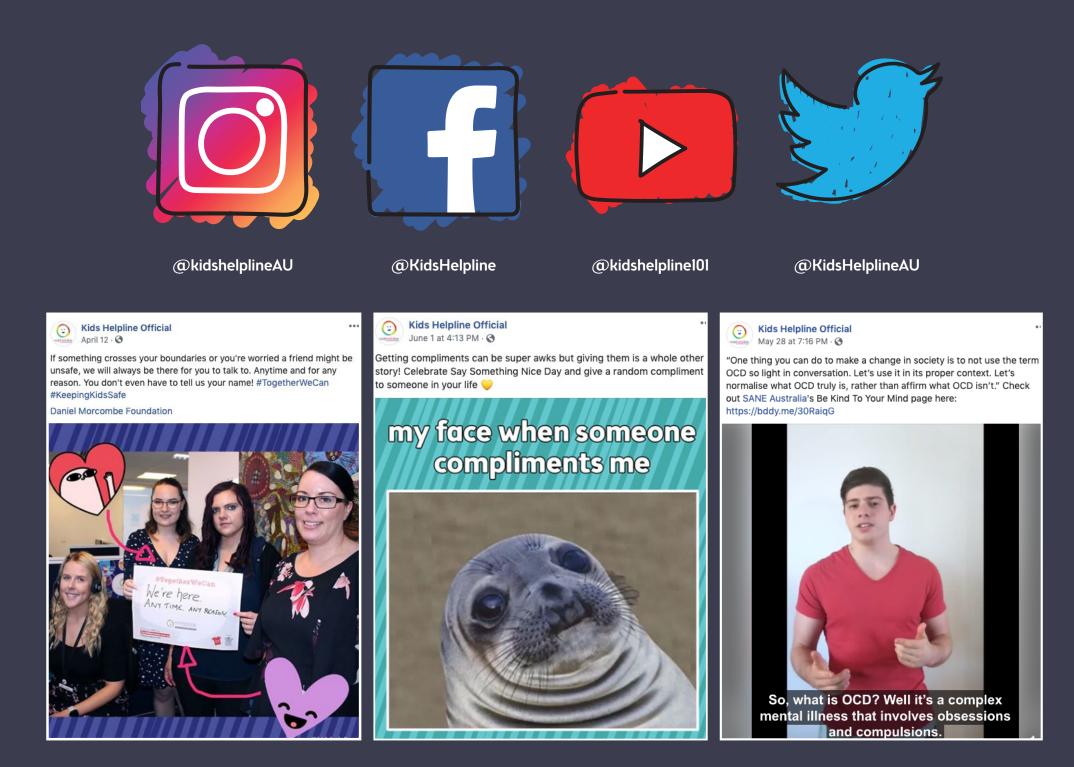
- You will then be connected with a Counsellor.
- If you like the Counsellor you are talking with, you can connect with them for more sessions.
- The average counselling session is 30-40 minutes but it can be shorter or longer.

#### Website



Social Media

Ages 13+

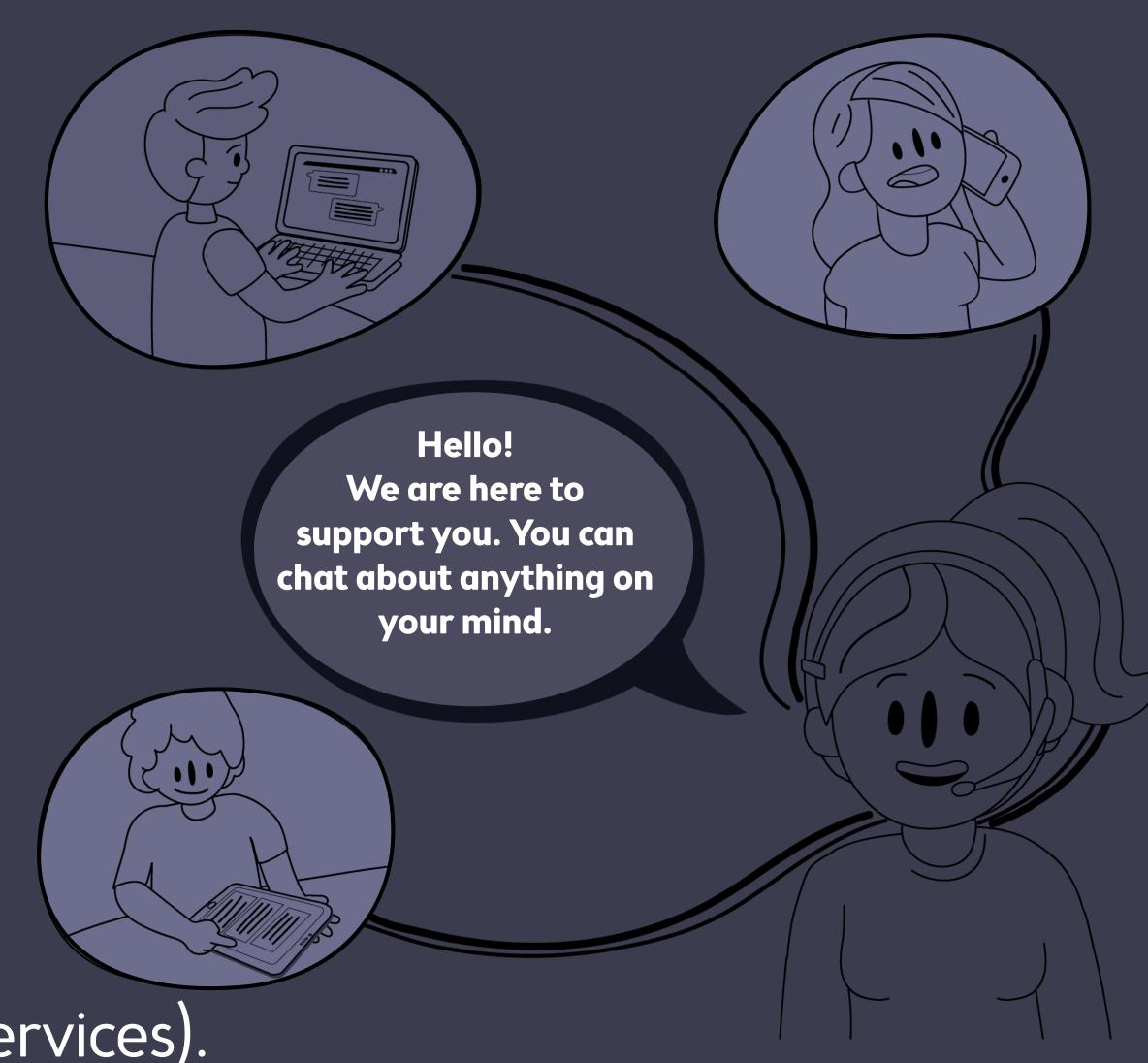


We don't do counselling on social media

www.kidshelpline.com.au

## Other helpful info...

- Ongoing counselling: you can talk to the same person in an ongoing way (e.g. once a week).
- Other supports: with your permission, we can talk to other support people so they can help you with what you are going through (e.g. psychologist, school counsellor, youth worker).
- **Referral**: we can refer you to other supports in your area (e.g. a specialist services).



Risk of Harm management

What you share with us at Kids Helpline remains confidential between you and the service.

However, there may be times where we may need to work with other agencies such as emergency services or child protection if you are in a situation where there is significant risk of harm to you or other people.

If this situation were to come up, we would always do our best to work with you in finding an approach that helps keep you and other people safe and is an option that you feel comfortable with.







We support young people aged 5 - 25.

Call

Email

WebChat









1800 55 1800 FREE CALL 24/7

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