## Carer KaFÉ Training

FREE training for Victorian kinship and foster carers





## MENTAL HEALTH



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Mental illness will affect most of us at some point in our life, either directly or indirectly. This session will introduce the symptoms, causes and treatments of mental illnesses such as Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD), Autism Spectrum Disorder, Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders, depression and anxiety.

This session is presented over an intensive half-day.

## During this session you will:

- learn how to spot warning signs of mental health problems and respond appropriately
- understand mental health crisis situations: suicidal thoughts and behaviours, panic attacks, severe effects of drug or alcohol use, psychotic states, aggressive behaviours
- learn how to provide appropriate help (mental health first aid) and when and where to seek professional help
- learn how to have difficult conversations about mental health

WHEN: Wednesday 7th November 2018

Registration & tea: 9am Training: 9:30am - 3pm

WHERE: BDAC (Ballarat)

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