# Lewisham: information for people who self-harm

## If you've harmed yourself and you need IMMEDIATE and URGENT help:

- Phone 999 and ask for an ambulance
- Go to your local A&E Department, where the Mental Health Liaison Service can help you (24 hours a day, 365 days of the year).

University Hospital Lewisham Lewisham High Street Lewisham London SE13 6LH.

Tel: 020 8333 3000

## If you are with a community mental health team (CMHT)

• During the day you can also contact your community mental health team (CMHT) and ask for your care coordinator or duty worker.

#### If you need less urgent help

- During the day contact your GP
- Out of hours contact SELDOC or your out of hours GP service
   Tel: 020 8693 9066

- Call the SLaM 24 hour information line Tel: 0800 731 2864
- Call NHS 111 24 hour confidential helpline giving health advice.

Tel: ...111

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#### Other helpful organisations

#### **Lewisham Users Forum (LUF)**

A group of people with mental ill-health which meets to socialise, support each other and give feedback on mental health services.

Tel. 020 8297 9593

#### Waldron Health Centre

This GP-led centre with long opening hours is in Amersham Vale, only a minute's walk from New Cross Station.

7 days a week, 8.00 am - 8.00 pm

Tel: 020 3049 2370

#### Mind Peer Support in Lewisham

Provided by Bromley Mind, it offers community based activities, connections and opportunities for people with mental health difficulties living in Lewisham.

Email:megan.jamison@bromleymind.org.uk

**Family Health Isis** 

FHI offers a range of culturally specific services for African/African Caribbean people.

Tel: 020 8695 1955

Web: www.familyhealthisis.org.uk

#### **Carers Lewisham**

Advice, information, advocacy and support for

carers. Tel: 020 8699 8686

Email: info@carerslewisham.org.uk Web: www.carerslewisham.org.uk

#### **Lewisham Victim Support**

Offers practical advice and support and can provide a list of local solicitors.
300 Sangley Road, Catford

SE6 2JT

Tel. 020 8698 4583

#### **SANEline**

Confidential emotional support, practical help and information for people with mental health problems. Tel. 0845 767 8000

# Support organisations for people who are distressed, are experiencing suicidal thoughts or who self-harm and their families

These are completely confidential and the volunteers won't judge you.

#### **Samaritans**

A 24/7 helpline service which gives you a safe space where you can talk about what is happening, how you are feeling, and how to find your own way forward. Samaritans volunteers are ordinary people from all walks of life who understand that there are sometimes things that you just cannot talk about to the people around you. They know that very often, with some time and space, people are able to find their own solution within themselves.

Tel: 08457 90 90 90 (24/7) Email: jo@samaritans.org

#### **PAPYRUSHOPELineUK**

PAPYRUS aims to prevent young people taking their own lives. A professionally staffed helpline provides support, practical advice, and information, both to young people worried about themselves and to anyone concerned that a young person may harm themselves.

Tel: 0800 068 41 41 (Mon to Fri 10am - 5pm and 7pm - 10pm and weekends 2pm - 5pm).

#### Specialist help for people who self-harm

#### The National Self-Harm Network

A forum and resources for those who self-harm and their families, and for professionals who support them. Tips on what to do or say and what not to do or say if you are supporting someone who self-harms. Advice on the use of distractions if someone is trying not to self-harm.

Web: www.nshn.co.uk

#### **Get Connected**

Tel: 080 8808 4994 (1pm to 11pm). Offers help by telephone and email for young people (under 25) who self-harm.

#### Selfharm.co.uk

A project dedicated to supporting young people who are affected by self-harm.

Web: www.self-harm.co.uk

#### THESITE.ORG

TheSite.org offers information and support to all the UK's 16-25 year-olds. It includes specific support and advice about self-harm.

Web: www.thesite.org

#### RecoverYourLIFE

Internet Self-Harm Support Community. It also provides support for any emotional problems.

Web: www.recoveryourlife.com

**Big White Wall** 

A safe, online, anonymous service for people over the age of 16. Get the support of others who feel like you, 24/7, and learn ways to feel better and how to get on top of your own troubles.

Web: www.bigwhitewall.com

**CALM** Campaign Against Living Miserably Tel: 0800 585858. Offers help via the website and a helpline for men aged 15-35 who are feeling depressed or down. Callers are offered support and information. Calls are free, confidential and anonymous. The helpline is open from 5pm - midnight, Sat, Sun, Mon and Tues, every week of the year. London callers may also call 0800 585858 or text 07537 404717, begin the first text CALM1.

Web: www.thecalmzone.net

#### Childline

If you are worried about anything, it could be something big or something small, don't bottle it up. It can really help if you talk to someone. If there is something on your mind, ChildLine is here for you.

Tel: 08000 111

#### **Mind Infoline**

Provides information in a range of topics including types of mental distress, where to get help and advocacy. They are able to provide details of help and support for people in their own area.

Tel: 0300 123 3393

Email: info@mind.org.uk (M-F 9am -6pm)

#### Stonewall (LGBT)

Tower Building, York Road London SE1 7NX InfoLine: 0800 050 20 20 (M-F 9.30am to 5:30pm) Email:info@stonewall.org.uk

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#### Four in Ten

Lesbian, gay, bisexual and trans (LGBT) peer support group meets weekly in Southwark and is open to all LGBT people who experience mental health problems. To find out more call 07711 376 258 or Email: peterv@metrocentreonline.org



#### If you'd like a large print, audio, Braille or a translated version of this leaflet then please ask us.

#### **Contact SLaM**

SLaM switchboard: 020 3228 6000 SLaM website: www.slam.nhs.uk

# Patient Advice and Liaison Service (PALS)

PALS is here to listen and support you in whatever way they can to ensure your experience at SLaM is a positive one. If you are not happy about something at SLaM then PALS will try to help you. If you decide you want to make a formal complaint PALS can advise you how to do this.

PALS 24hr information line: **0800 731 2864** PALS website: **www.slam.nhs.uk/pals** 

PALS email: pals@slam.nhs.uk

#### **Travel**

For the quickest way to plan your journey to a SLaM service try TfL's journey planner.

TfL 24hr travel information: **0343 222 1234** www.tfl.gov.uk/journeyplanner



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