



Hunter New England  
Local Health District

## Media Alert

# Mental health support for the Singleton and Cessnock communities

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Please attribute this statement to Susan Heyman, Acting Chief Executive, Hunter New England Local Health District

We extend our deepest sympathies to the families, friends and loved ones of those who died and were injured in a bus crash in the Hunter overnight.

Our priority is providing support to those impacted by this tragedy, including the Singleton and Cessnock communities as they deal with the aftermath.

For anyone needing support, there will be two drop-in clinics staffed by disaster response, senior mental health clinicians and support services available from tomorrow. Singleton Youth Venue on the corner of Bathurst and Pitt streets will be open from 9am, and Branxton Community Centre on Bowen Street will be open from 10am.

If you or someone you know needs help, contact Lifeline, Beyond Blue or please call the NSW Mental Health Line on 1800 011 511, a 24-hour telephone service offering free professional help and advice, and referrals to mental health services.

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