



headspace: Improving Services for Youth Mental Health in Australia

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Dr Rosemary Purcell (M.Psych, PhD) is a Senior Research Fellow in the Centre for Youth Mental Health, The University of Melbourne, and Team Leader of the **headspace** Centre of Excellence in Youth Mental Health.

The Centre of Excellence in Youth Mental Health is responsible for (1) assembling and synthesising evidence regarding interventions for youth mental health issues (2) translating and disseminating this evidence to health professionals, as well as young people and their supporters (3) facilitating the implementation of evidence-based practices in youth mental health services and (4) identifying opportunities for empirical research that address gaps in the current knowledge base regarding youth mental health.

Dr Purcell's talk will broadly focus on the **headspace** initiative, which is designed to improve service delivery to young people aged 12-25 experiencing mental health and substance use problems.



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