CONSUMER SURVEY: DISCHARGE FROM HOPE

What would be helpful when discharging from HOPE?

LE worker follow up 2/6 weeks

LE followup as needed Dedicated website Dedicated phone number Information pack Text message Email Social media resource & engagement

case manager follow-up

Emergency dept access Community service referral Reengage HOPE
GP followup 4024/7 hotline Dedicated safe space to connect Online groups

TOP 5

- 1.Case manager follow-up
- 2.Dedicated website
- 3. Dedicated phone number
- 4. Community service referral
- 5.LE worker follow-up 2/6 weeks

How did you feel throughout the support stage of the HOPE program?

Satisfied Overwhelmed Determined Disconnected Validated Included involved

Frustrated Agitated Exhausted Confused Understood Empowered

Supported Heavy Relieved Safe
Lighter Respected Anxious Vulnerable Hopeful Guided

Dominant themes

- Challenges leaving a secure and safe person
- Lack of suitable referral options

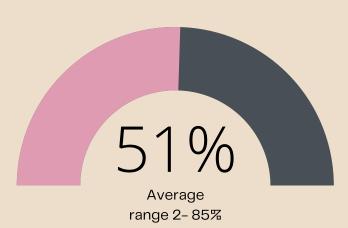
Positives

- · Positive emotions after being engaged and experience through HOPE
- Amazing, discussed strategies and referral options leading to discharge.
- · Initially very helpful but lost impact over time

Challenges

- Frustrated at not being able to have follow-up through the community mental health team
- Grief, sadness and feeling abandonment trauma: Safe attachment with case manager was ending
- Frustrated as not being able to find any no cost referral services.
- Scary as moving away from something to a new service
- No follow up or referrals in place
- Felt would like to continue for another 4 weeks.

Was 3 months of the HOPE program adequate?



I think it's important to recognise that suicidal ideation is a really serious thing that often translates into a loss of life. Ensuring individuals are equipped to cope post HOPE is critical to tie up the support the individual has received, as well as ensuring they have access to the services that will help with this after discharge.



Was the 3-month program adequate?

Dominant themes

- Challenges with a crisis close to finishing the HOPE program
- Inadequate discharge support

Positives

Had adequate follow-up support

- The time with HOPE was adequate and largely effective. I had two acute, life-threatening episodes in 10 weeks and HOPE's support was critical to my survival at that time. I hoped that I would have enhanced personal resources to manage my suicidality in an ongoing way but that was not the case.
- I think 3 months is a perfect time frame for dealing with the after-effects of suicide and finding new ways to cope and groups and strategies to try.

Nay + Ideas

- I didn't feel ready to be let go by HOPE. There was too much change, I felt abandoned, and wished I could have continued with HOPE until I had established some kind of rapport with my new worker.
- An approach that tapers support off gradually for a period of time after the HOPE time frame would allow the consumer to adjust in a way that they can implement strategies to cope with less intensive support

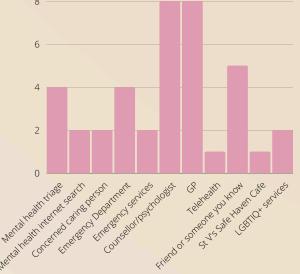
<u>Challenges</u>

- No adequate supports/ activities are available
- The gap between services due to referral access delays
- Ebb and peaks of suicidality

<u>Ideas</u>

- An approach that tapers off gradually for a period after the HOPE timeframe allows time to adjust
- Extension of program

What services do you think you need if needing further support?



66 The absence of other survivors and ongoing linkage and support back into HOPE or a less intensive HOPE type service are issues that I hope can be addressed in the co-design process.