

Family and carer support

Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Glossary Item

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- [Health](#), Standard 16/01/2020

Definition: Family and carer support includes services that provide families and carers of people living with a mental illness support, information, education and skill development opportunities to fulfil their caring role, while maintaining their own health and wellbeing (Mission Australia 2012). These services may be provided in the context of early intervention or ongoing support.

Context: Mental health non-government organisation establishments service type taxonomy.

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: *Distinguishing features:*

- Explicitly targeted at carers and families
- Includes all services focused on family and carer support except staffed residential respite services. Therefore, this includes services that, if they were not targeted at families and carers, would be reported in other service types.

Inclusions:

- Family and carer programs
- In-home and/or day respite for carers
- Family-focused early intervention services
- After hours carers support lines

Exclusions:

- Residential respite services (these are reported under [Staffed residential services](#))

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes [Family and carer support](#)

- [Health](#), Superseded 16/01/2020

See also [Mental health non-government organisation service type code N\[N\]](#)

- [ACT Health \(retired\)](#), Candidate 14/08/2018
- [Health](#), Standard 13/11/2014

Metadata items which use this glossary item:

[Mental health non-government organisation payments cluster](#)

- [Health](#), Standard 16/01/2020

[Mutual support and self-help](#)

- [Health](#), Standard 16/01/2020

[Staffed residential services](#)

- [Health](#), Standard 16/01/2020