



CONNECTING CARE ROUNDTABLE COMMUNIQUE - 27 MARCH 2020

Given the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic the Connecting Care Team is going through a process of reviewing Phase 4 of the funded project (ends 30 June).

We have made the decision to prioritise work on the Connecting Care Portal www.connectingcaretas.com.au and Facebook page www.facebook.com/connectingcaretas to provide consistent, trusted and up-to-date links for community members, health and social care providers, local businesses, and community groups and organisations. If appropriate please share these links on your Facebook page and web site.

The Portal is being extended to provide COVID-19 links and social media assets as well as the Local Resource Directory, Emergency numbers and Help Lines, and links to other information resources.

We have prioritized work on the Local Resource Directory and Help Lines to extend them across Central Coast and to make sure they are up to date including the impact of COVID-19.

We changed the focus of the planned Mental Health video to *Beating the Coronavirus Blues* accessible via the portal <https://connectingcaretas.com.au/coronavirus-covid-19/> and Facebook www.facebook.com/connectingcaretas/videos/229327214855117

A second video on COVID-19 and Eating Well is under production.

Other activities agreed to at the Roundtable meeting on 25 February will be either modified or abandoned.

We have formed a small working group to guide us with this work. If you are in a position to be involved at all, please let us know.

The next Roundtable meeting scheduled for 28 April is cancelled. Instead we will keep you up to date with regular, short communiques.

We appreciate and respect that the nature of your involvement on the Connecting Care Roundtable has changed and wish you all the best for the time ahead.

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