

## MENTAL HEALTH AND SUICIDE AWARENESS (supporting Students)



#### Very urgent situation

Immediate response needed

# CALL 999

and inform either:

**Exeter** Estate Patrol:

## 01392 722222

**Penryn and Truro** Campus Safety and Support:

## 01326 255875

#### Very urgent

- risk of ending their life or harming others now
- taken steps to end their life, ie reports taking an overdose
- has a serious medical emergency
- imminently at risk from others
- violent or threatening violence to people or property
- significantly disorientated and out of touch with reality.

**Urgent situation** NOT requiring immediate response

#### Exeter

Contact Wellbeing Services by completing the Student Concern Referral Form tinyurl.com/3tz5xtuz



(click here or scan QR code further details).

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**Penryn and Truro** Contact support and wellbeing: studentsupportadmin@fxplus.ac.uk

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#### Urgent

- risk of harm to self or others/expressing suicidal thoughts but no intent to act on thoughts
- exhibiting extreme behaviour ie elated, withdrawn
- causing significant concern from others
- using very concerning language in discussions/academic work/ mitigation requests
- homeless or at risk of imminent homelessness
- disengaged from contact and you have concerns about their welfare.

#### **Not urgent** Additional support recommended

#### Encourage & signpost student to contact:

- University Wellbeing services for emotional and mental health support
- their GP

#### Exeter

- Wellbeing Services Emotional and Mental Health support:
  - exeter.ac.uk/students/wellbeing
- Education Welfare Adviser for any academic issues
- A-Z Index of student wellbeing support: exeter.ac.uk/students/wellbeing/index

#### **Penryn and Truro**

- Contact support and wellbeing: studentsupportadmin@fxplus.ac.uk
- fxplus.ac.uk/student-support/supportwellbeing
- Education Welfare Adviser for any academic issues exeter.ac.uk/students/ wellbeing/cornwall-student-welfare

#### Not urgent

- low in mood, anxious, stressed
- homesick, lonely, isolated
- difficulty with relationships
- experiencing low self esteem/confidence
- difficulties with eating
- drug and/or alcohol problems
- bereaved
- difficulties studying.

NB: these lists are not exhaustive and if unsure, we encourage staff to contact to wellbeing services wellbeing@exeter.ac.uk / 01392 724381

#### In all situations

- Try to stay calm.
- Aim to be patient, respectful, non-judgemental.
- Engage with the student if possible but prioritise yours and others safety.
- Remember confidentiality guidelines.
- Wherever possible, try to inform a colleague about the situation to support you at the time.
- Debrief by talking the situation through with the Wellbeing Service or communities of practice meeting. Keep a written record of events.

### Support for you

Please find resources to help you look after your own wellbeing and mental health here:

exeter.ac.uk/staff/wellbeing/suicide/training/support