

Statewide Ed-LinQ Program

Queensland Health

Vision

All school-aged children and young people will receive the evidence-informed mental health care they require, to optimise educational, social, and emotional outcomes

Delivery Focus

Ed-LinQ coordinators improve access to mental health services for children and young people through cross-sectoral activities in three areas:

Strategic Partnerships

Develop strategic relationships and foster cross-sector cooperation in support of mental health initiatives for students.

Consultation Liaison

Provide specialist mental health input about students experiencing, or at-risk-of, mental illness. Assist with service integration and referral pathways for school-aged children and young people requiring mental health intervention.

Enhancing Capacity

Increase knowledge and skills within stakeholders regarding mental health problems in children and young people, through the provision of resources and training.

Quality

The Ed-LinQ Program Evaluation Framework established a standardised mechanism for collecting, collating, and disseminating Ed-LinQ data across Queensland. The Framework also identifies a process for evaluating Ed-LinQ Program activities to ensure quality, and improve evidence based service delivery.

Aim

To strengthen connections, service integration, and capacity between mental health, education, primary care, and community sectors to support school-aged children and young people experiencing, or at-risk-of, mental illness

Partners

Ed-LinQ works with stakeholders from Health, Education, and the Community.

Primary stakeholders

Child and youth mental health services (CYMHS), guidance officers, school counsellors, teachers, principals, Department of Education student wellbeing workforce, Catholic and Independent Schools wellbeing initiatives.

Secondary stakeholders

School-based youth health nurses, Be You - headspace schools, general practitioners, community-based mental health support services.

Locations

Ed-LinQ operates in all Hospital and Health Services in Queensland including Cairns & Hinterland, Central Queensland, Central West, Children's Health Queensland, Darling Downs, Gold Coast, Mackay, Metro North (Redcliffe/Caboolture), Metro South (Logan), North West, South West, Sunshine Coast, Torres & Cape, Townsville, West Moreton, and Wide Bay.

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