

PURPOSE: To increase awareness of and confidence in using the Child Information Sharing Scheme (CISS) in Victoria Mental Health Services.

Child Information Sharing Scheme in Mental Health: Capacity Building Project 2022

How did we collaborate?

- Department of Education and CMHL worked closely to align project with CISS legislation
- CMHL facilitated focus groups with experts from public mental health including Specialist Family Violence Advisors (SFVA) and Families where a Parent has a Mental Illness (FaPMI) coordinators
- Service specific consultations were conducted with mental health services, providing opportunity for local context and policies
- CISS scenarios were collected and discussed with experts to develop best practice examples.

CMHL Information Sessions: CISS in Mental Health Practice

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METRO SERVICES

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REGIONAL SERVICES

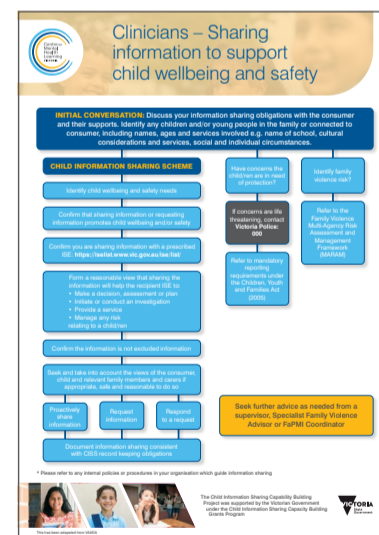
- Met with CISS leaders at services
- Developed place-based information sessions
- Delivered sessions in collaboration with local experts
- Facilitated reflective spaces for teams
- Provided resources to support translation to practice

60 SESSIONS 669 ATTENDEES

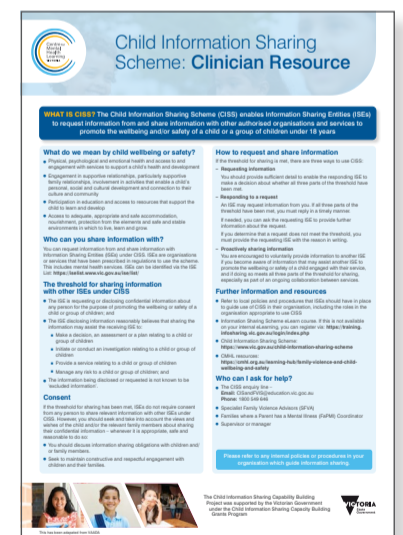
Project Outcomes

- Introduced CISS concepts to over 90% of attendees
- Increased confidence in using CISS in practice in 83% of attendees
- Raised awareness of other information sharing entities (ISEs)
- Enhanced understanding of how to use CISS in mental health practice
- Improved focus on child wellbeing in addition to safety
- Increased discussion of CISS during clinical reviews and care planning
- Heightened focus of differentiating CISS from FVISS
- Increased CISS secondary consultations with FaPMI coordinators
- Supported CISS policy and procedure updates at mental health services.

Mental Health Resources



DECISION MAKING TREE



CLINICIAN RESOURCE

