

Mental illness, terrorism and grievance-fuelled violence:
Understanding the nexus

SUPPORTING RESOURCES

FACTSHEETS:

Living Safely Together is an Australian Government initiative that hosts a suite of factsheets designed to provide background information and guidance on what to look for, and where to go for help – for those who suspect someone they know may be starting to engage with violent extremism. Available at:

www.livingsafetogether.gov.au/information/Pages/resources.aspx

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REPORT:

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https://permanent.access.gpo.gov/lps54727/school_shooter.pdf

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CONSUMER HELPLINES & SERVICES:

Step Together is a <u>NSW-based</u> helpline and digital support service for families, friends and workers who may be concerned about someone headed down a path towards violent extremism. The service is staffed by trained counsellors, is free of charge, and callers can request to remain anonymous. Available at: https://steptogether.com.au/get-support/print-materials/

On the Line: 24/7 counselling service. Available at: https://ontheline.org.au/what-we-do/our-services/

Community Action Against Extremism:

http://cape.alltogethernow.org.au/

Australian Multicultural Foundation:

http://www.amf.net.au/training in particular: www.amf.net.au/entry/communityawareness-training-manual-building-resilience-in-thecommunity.

Youth Off The Streets:

https://youthoffthestreets.com.au/what-we-do/safety/atrisk/outreachyouthengagement/