



YFC

Youth Future Crew

YOUTH SURVEY

RESULTS

1. where do you go for help with your health/welfare?

- Doctor/GP (29)
- Parents (17)
- Hospital (7)
- Internet (5)
- Friends (2)
- Just moved to area so not sure (1)

2. where do you get health information from?

- Doctor/GP (42)
- Internet (10)
- Friends (8)
- TV (6)
- Parents (4)
- Brochures (4)
- Books (4)
- Chemist (4)
- School (4)
- Hospital (2)
- Shops (2)
- Teacher (2)
- Pastor (1)
- Physiotherapist (1)

3. Are you happy with the level of health support available to you? what are you happy/unhappy with?

- Yes (52)
- No (5)
- "Yes, however long waiting time isn't great"
- "happy with how accessible and efficient health care is"
- "lack of information and support. I think there is large room for improvement."

- "yeah its alright but when I get sick regularly and the doctor says "don't eat wheat" so I did but it didn't work and they still don't know what's wrong and they wont do any tests so that's a bit annoying."
- "I am happy with the service at doctors but hospitals are slow in the Emergency Room."
- "No I am not because doctors are always late!"
- "Yes, I am happy with my doctor."
- "I am fine with the help available."
- "Yes, I am happy."
- "Yes, its quick and easy."
- "Happy 😊"
- "I'm fair happy."
- "Yes I am happy but I don't really use them so I don't really know."
- "No, I am not happy with the level of health support available to me because there is always an hour or more wait at the doctor even if you have an appointment."
- "I am happy with the support and care that's currently available to me. I feel I can go to my doctor and ask questions about health issues I'm concerned about and receive sensible answers and advice."

4. what would you like to see to improve health services for young people in Geelong?

- "More Doctors."
- "I'm not sure."
- "More understanding and open view to youth issues."
- "less waiting times."
- "Doctors to be more understanding and actually listen to you and not just say you have this and this."
- "Quicker emergency service in hospitals."
- "More facilities for young people."
- "Don't know."
- "An age care facility for young people."
- "I would like to have more medical courses available."
- "unfull waiting rooms."
- "rehabilitation centers for kids who have accidents."
- "Drop the prices."
- "Drop the prices."
- "Drop the prices."
- "price drop in medication."
- "more support."

- "I would like to see more doctors and nurses appointed in hospitals and doctors so waits are shorter."
- "Perhaps more facilities available in our hospitals for people with health conditions(diabetes etc) so they don't have to travel to Melbourne hospitals."

5.what are the main health issues facing young people in Geelong today?

- Alcohol (36)
- Drugs (29)
- Smoking (25)
- STI's (6)
- Flu (4)
- Broken Bones (2)
- Obesity (2)
- Depression (1)
- Anorexia (1)

- "foolish acts, caused by peer pressure and depression which are committed by Geelong's youth. Eg. Drunkenness, smoking, getting into fights or being victims of fights."
- "exposure to alcohol and drugs and the related medical problems."
- "sickness like the flu."
- "Alcohol and alcohol related issues."
- "obesity, mental damage, bad parenting, depression."

6.what is the best way to get feedback from young people about health?

- Ask them/talk to them (31)
- Surveys (27)
- Visit Schools(11)
- Conference for young people (1)
- Send chain Txt Messages (1)
- Tv ads (1)
- Internet (1)
- Set up a committee (1)

7.what do you see mental illness/mental health as?

- "As a range of stuff from deformities to stress."
- "an illness which is not exactly physical."
- "people who have problems in the head."

- "someone who is mentally unstable who have mental problems or just someone with an illness."
- "I don't know."
- "A condition that might affect peoples judgment or puts them not in the right mind."
- "Mentally Unstable."
- "an illness in the brain."
- "Cant put things through their brain properly, and they do not understand things the way a normal person would. They also maybe sick minded. They may be mentally disabled and cant think the way a normal person would."
- "Robbie is mentally retarded."
- "a disability."
- "depression, psycho."
- "depression, skitzo."
- "someone is mentally unstable."
- "a problem that isn't physical."
- "I see mental illness/mental health as something inside your brain that is made up so you get out of things you don't want to do."
- "when I think of those conditions I think mainly of depression. Also of youth who have strands of ADD."
- "Mental health = illness of the mind."

Age: 12 (2)
 14 (24)
 15 (4)
 16(5)
 17 (8)
 18 (3)
 25 (1)

Male/Female:
 Male (17)
 Female (32)

what is your postcode?
 3216 (3)
 3215 (2)
 3214 (5)
 3223 (2)
 3222 (19)
 3219 (3)
 3228 (4)