EPPIC trauma training tool Sources of psychological support

If you are concerned about a patient, have been affected by this training tool or want to know more about local support services, the following people and local/national organisations can help. Note this list is correct as of October 2021. It includes links to national and Bristol based services.

In a crisis or emergency: call your GP, go to A&E or use the following link to <u>Find your local Mental Health</u> crisis team e.g. in **Bristol** you can contact Bristol Mental Health crisis team

Other psychological advice and support can be obtained through the following services:

- 1. Your GP
- 2. NHS England: call 111
- 3. NHS psychological services are provided by different organisations across the UK, you can use this link to find your local psychological therapies service (IAPT)

e.g., in Bristol they are provided by Vita Health group and can be accessed by:

- self-referral call 0333 200 1893 (open: 8am 8pm Monday to Friday, and 9am 12.30pm Saturday)
- ask a health professional to refer you,
- use this online link: Vita Health Group resources & self-referral
- 4. Contact the Mind national Infoline: tel. 0300 123 3393 or Email: info@mind.org.uk open 9am to 6pm, Monday to Friday (except bank holidays). Provides information on mental health problems, where to get help near you, treatment options, advocacy services. Bristol Mindline Freephone 0808 808 0330 offers a free listening service to anyone who needs to talk (open 5 nights a week, Wednesday Sunday, 7pm 11pm)
- 5. **The Samaritans**: Call Freephone 116 123 (national), email jo@samaritans.org (email response time 24 hours) or in Bristol you can call 0117 983 1000. The Samaritans offers telephone emotional support and befriending in complete confidence and are available 24 hours a day. See <u>Samaritans online</u> for more information (including a self-help app) on the services they offer.

The following organisations provide injury/trauma specific support:

- 6. **AfterTrauma:** provides an online community and resources (including a Recovery App) to help patients and families rebuild lives and support each other after experiencing a traumatic injury see: https://www.aftertrauma.org/
- 7. **Headway** provides help and support to people affected by brain injury, including a telephone: 0808 800 2244 (open 9-5pm Mon-Fri) and email helpline helpline@headway.org.uk