

Who cares about your mental health?

This report card has been compiled from publicly available election policies and platforms from party websites current as at 16/11/2018. Parties and individual candidates were not approached to provide comment. This content will be updated as new announcements are made and/or further information is provided.

| ELECTION COMMITMENT | Labor | Coalition | Greens | Victorian Socialists | Reason Party |
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| Mental health is a priority and/or there is a clear policy statement on mental health | YES | NO | YES | YES Additional \$543M - no timeframe | YES Additional \$543M by 2022 |
| Stated commitment to, or support for, a royal commission on mental health | YES | NO | YES | YES | YES |
| Commitment to additional funding specifically for early intervention and youth mental health service delivery | YES \$50.4M for psychologists in schools | YES \$1.15M for headspace outreach | YES \$48M over four years plus \$12M Youth Prevention and Recovery Centre | YES | YES |
| Commitment to additional funding in community-based mental health services | Pre-election \$70M over 2 years (\$50M services & \$20M adapting to NDIS) | YES \$24M trial of 3 community mental health hubs (timeframe unknown) | YES \$200M over 4 years | YES \$200M - no timeframe stated | YES |
| Focus on early intervention mental health services for young people in contact with the justice system | YES | NO | YES Although not specific to young people | YES Although not specific to young people | YES |
| Commitment to additional mental health funding to support specific population groups | Yes Veterans, carer respite (pre-election) and first responders | Yes First responders and carer respite | NO | NO | NO |
| Commitment to support mental health research | NO *does have a medical research policy | NO | NO *does have a medical research policy | NO | NO |

- * Animal Justice Party – will work with existing mental health experts to integrate animal care and interaction with existing programs
- * Australian Country Party – has stated an overhaul of Victoria’s failing mental health services to address the disparity between rural and metropolitan access to mental health services and patients falling through the cracks.
- * Independent candidates Michelle Dunscombe (Eildon), Ali Cupper (Mildura), Tracie Lunde (Morwell), Jacqui Hawkins (Benambra), and Tammy Atkins (Ovens Murray) have all released a statement supporting better mental health outcomes and a royal commission into mental health.
- * Orygen, Mental Health Victoria and Australians For Mental Health do not endorse any political party or candidate. The scores on the report card reflect an assessment of the party policies against our policy priorities.

