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# Depression starts small

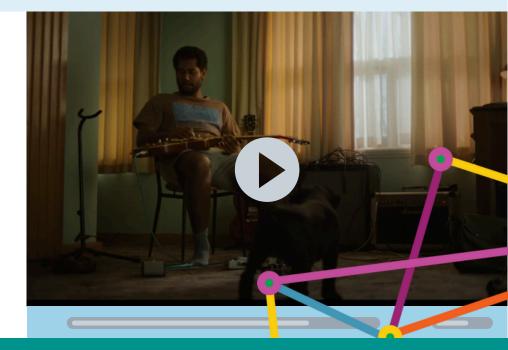
Get help before it grows.

WA Primary Health Alliance's latest campaign, Depression starts small, get help before it grows, is designed to raise awareness of the early symptoms of depression and promote help seeking behaviours.

It is part of a GP-centric depression management program approach which aims to help improve the care of people with depression and prevent suicidal behaviour.

The message we want to get across is that getting on top of depression early, before it grows, is important and that you don't need to deal with this alone.

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## How can you help?

#### Find out more

We encourage you to promote the campaign to spread further awareness through content that best suits your style and audience. Below are some draft social media messages that you may choose to personalise and use, and you can download the videos and <u>access more information on our website</u>.

We hope this campaign will make an impression and contribute to reducing stigma and encouraging people to reach out and seek help. Thank you for your support.

## Key messages

- WA Primary Health Alliance's latest campaign, Depression starts small, is designed to raise awareness of the early symptoms of depression.
- Featuring puppy actors Novak and Stella, this important campaign plays into the age-old metaphor of the black dog, updating it to introduce the black puppy as a symbol for mild to moderate depression.
- Depression starts small. The earlier you seek help, the easier it is to get depression under control.
- Whatever you're feeling, you don't have to deal with it alone. Help is just a call or a click away.
- Depression can sneak up on you. But you don't have to deal with it alone.
- Some of the early signs of depression can be surprising. Depression starts small. Get help before it grows.

#### Support services:

- Head to Health phone service 1800 595 212 headtohealth.gov.au
- Lifeline 13 11 14
- 13YARN 13 92 76

