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| **PSYCHOLOGISTS** |

The psychologist monitors children’s overall development by observing and understanding progress in learning alongside behavioural, emotional and social development. The psychologist may also be available to help if there is some concern about a child’s emotional well-being and behaviour or difficulties within the family.

**When do you refer to a Psychologist?**

* Involvement from a psychologist would occur when a child is displaying difficulties with their behaviour and/or interaction with their peers in a social setting.
* A child who requires support with emotional and/or social development including stress and anxiety issues may also benefit from the services of a psychologist.

**Who can refer to a Psychologist?**

* A parent can call and make an appointment for their child.

**How do you refer to a Psychologist?**

Parents are able to contact the therapist directly or through the family doctor.

See the list following for some of the Psychologists in the Wyndham area who the family may contact.

Please Note: Charges may apply, please contact the service direct for more information. This list is not exhaustive and the PSFO Service do not endorse any service listed.

**BETTER ACCESS TO MENTAL HEALTH CARE**

Medicare rebates are available for up to 10 allied mental health services per calendar year to patients who are referred by a GP managing the patient under a GP Mental Health Treatment Plan.

Please refer to the section “**How to get Medicare rebates for seeing** **therapists**”.

**Please note that a referral from your GP is usually required for you to gain an appointment with a Psychologist.**

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| **CROOKES COUNSELLING AND CONSULTING SERVICES**  7 Princes Highway  Werribee 3030  Tel: 9742 3500  Email: [admin@crookes.com.au](mailto:admin@crookes.com.au)  Web: crookes.com.au | Services Provided | Psychology services for adults, children, adolescents, couples and families |
| Usual waiting times | Up to 6 weeks |
| Bulk Billing? | No |
| NDIS Provider? | Self-managed and Plan-managed clients only |
| HCWA, Better Start etc | No |
| Medicare Rebates? | Yes |
| **Additional Info**  Healthcare card holders may be entitled to funding through the Care in Mind Program.  Evening and weekend appointments available | |
| **POINT COOK THERAPY CENTRE**  18 Boardwalk Boulevard  Point Cook 3030  Tel: 8353 9910  Mob: 0430 599 012  Web: pointcooktherapy.com.au  Email: [info@pointcooktherapy.com.au](mailto:info@pointcooktherapy.com.au) | Services Provided | Speech Therapy, Occupational Therapy & Psychology |
| Usual waiting times | 2-3 weeks |
| Bulk Billing? | No but we process medicare and health insurance rebates onsite |
| NDIS Provider? | Yes |
| HCWA, Better Start etc | Yes |
| Medicare Rebates? | Yes |
| **Additional Info**  Our experienced clinicians are committed to professional development and provide comprehensive assessment and management of a variety of acquired and developmental conditions, including developmental delays, autism, learning and literacy difficulties, social pragmatic difficulties, stuttering, social anxiety, mood and other mental health issues, sensory processing.  Parent and family guidance and support are integral to our service provision.  Open Monday to Friday from 8am to 7pm.  All services are by appointment only. Saturday appointments may occasionally be available on special consideration | |

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| **HOPSCOTCH & HARMONY**  Shop 1/167-179 Shaws Road  Werribee 3030  Tel: 9741 5222  Email: [admin@hopscotchandharmony.com.au](mailto:admin@hopscotchandharmony.com.au)  Web: hopscotchandharmony.com.au | Services Provided | Psychology, Dietetics, Assessment, Parent Support, Educator PDs |
| Usual waiting times | Variable dependent on service required |
| Bulk Billing? | No |
| NDIS Provider? | Yes |
| HCWA, Better Start etc | HCWA, TAC, VOCAT |
| Medicare Rebates? | Yes, with valid referral |
| **Additional Info**  With a large team of dedicated psychologists and a paediatric dietitian we can help support families to:   * Guide challenging behaviours * Address toileting issues * Learn play skills * Manage anxiety * Deal with bullying * Improve self-esteem * Adjust to changed family circumstances * Address fussy eating and food intolerance | |
| **Joanne Garfi**  Suite 18, Level 1  Wyndham Private Consulting Suites  242 Hoppers Lane  Werribee 3030  Tel: 9908 2998  Email: [joannegarfi@optusnet.com.au](mailto:joannegarfi@optusnet.com.au) | Services Provided | Psychology |
| Usual waiting times | 1-2 weeks |
| Bulk Billing? | No |
| NDIS Provider? | Yes, self-funded and self-managed |
| HCWA, Better Start etc |  |
| Medicare Rebates? | Yes |
| **Additional Info**  Special interest in ASD, school refusal, anxiety and depression.  Late night sessions available on Thursday nights.  Last appointment is 7.30pm | |
| **LANGUAGE FOR LIFE SPEECH PATHOLOGY**  188 Heaths Road  Hoppers Crossing 3029  Tel: 9731 6486  Email: [enquiries@languageforlife.com.au](mailto:enquiries@languageforlife.com.au)  Web: languageforlife.com.au | Services Provided | Speech Therapy, Psychology, OT |
| Usual waiting times | No waiting list |
| Bulk Billing? | No |
| NDIS Provider? | Yes |
| HCWA, Better Start etc | Yes |
| Medicare Rebates? | Yes |
| **Additional Info**  Experienced therapists working with children and adults.  Children with autism and children who have difficulties with articulation, language, fluency (stuttering) and literacy and with adults who present with swallowing and communication difficulties.  Book appointments your online  Opens on Saturday | |

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| **RAJES HARPER**  **Radiant Minds Psychology**  Mob: 0422 516 348  Email: rajesharper@gmail.com  Website: [www.radiantminds.com.au](http://www.radiantminds.com.au) | Services Provided | Psychology |
| Usual waiting times | 2 weeks |
| Bulk Billing? | No |
| NDIS Provider? | In the process |
| HCWA, Better Start etc | Yes |
| Medicare Rebates? | Yes |
| **Additional Info**  I complete autism, ADHD assessments and assessments of specific learning difficulties. I also consult with parents and school on developing learning/educational goals. I work with Triple p International and deliver training programs on parenting.  I also consult with parents on fussy eaters.  Provide ad-hoc school visits/meetings for consultations/meetings/observations | |

**You can also refer to the Australian Psychological Society website to search for a Psychologist within your area –** [www.psychology.org.au](http://www.psychology.org.au) **and go to the “Find a Psychologist“ link.**

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