

# Other health services for young people

## **Sexual health clinics**

Across Australia, there are a number of free sexual health clinics available to young people. These clinics are run by health departments in all the states and territories and are staffed by expertly trained doctors, nurses and counsellors. They specialise in sexual health and sexually transmitted infections. These clinics are free, but some do require you to bring a Medicare card (or number) with you. Some require appointments and some are drop in.

You can find out if there is a sexual health clinic in your area by going to:

<http://www.racp.edu.au/index.cfm?objectid=1F341D23-9A87-24D0-BD2364ED00196B11>

## **Family planning clinics**

Every state and territory in Australia has a "Family Planning Association". These associations provide clinics (as well as other programs such as sex education and research).

Most clinics provide a free, or low cost, service and most require a Medicare card (or number). Clinics are confidential.

You can find out if there is a clinic near you by going to:

### **NSW**

<http://www.fpahealth.org.au/services/local/>

### **Victoria**

[http://www.fpv.org.au/2\\_14\\_1.html](http://www.fpv.org.au/2_14_1.html)

### **Queensland**

<http://www.fpq.com.au/locations.stm>

### **South Australia**

<http://www.shinesa.org.au/download.cfm?downloadFile=43296638-E081-51EF-A78803706137B39D>

### **Tasmania**

[http://www.fpt.asn.au/?page=locations\\_and\\_times](http://www.fpt.asn.au/?page=locations_and_times)

### **Western Australia**

<http://www.fpwa.org.au/services/clinicalservices/>

### **Australian Capital Territory**

[http://www.shfpact.org.au/index.php?option=com\\_content&task=blogsection&id=4&Itemid=32](http://www.shfpact.org.au/index.php?option=com_content&task=blogsection&id=4&Itemid=32)

### **Northern Territory**

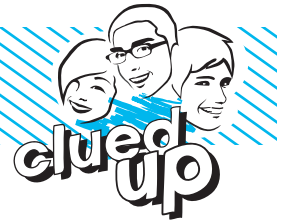
<http://www.fpwnt.com.au/>

## **Aboriginal medical services**

Each state and territory in Australia has a number of Aboriginal Medical Services. Most of these are managed or controlled by the local Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander community. Services are confidential and most are free (needing a Medicare card or number) or low cost.

For a list of services in your area go to:

<http://www.health.gov.au/internet/wcms/publishing.nsf/Content/health-oatsih-servicespage.htm>



## **Youth health services**

A youth health service is one that only sees young people, usually within the age range 12 – 20 or 25). Not all youth health services have doctors working in them, but many have nurses who can assist with sexual health issues and STI testing. Youth health services are confidential and free, some require a Medicare card (or number).

Although all states and territories have some services that are geared towards young people, not all have a network or listing of youth health services. Some youth health services overlap with Sexual Health Clinics, Family Planning Clinics and Aboriginal Medical Services.

Below is a list of youth health services that are listed by state and territory health departments or other youth health peak organisations.

### **NSW**

<http://www.naah.org.au/youth.cfm>

### **South Australia**

<http://www.cyh.com/SubContent.aspx?p=190>

### **ACT**

<http://health.act.gov.au/c/health?a=da&did=100466744>

### **Queensland - Brisbane**

<http://www.health.qld.gov.au/istaysafe/>

### **Queensland – Cairns**

<http://www.youthlink.org.au/home.htm>

### **Tasmania**

[http://www.dhhs.tas.gov.au/health\\_and\\_wellbeing/young\\_people/related\\_topics/information\\_and\\_education/services/youth\\_health\\_services](http://www.dhhs.tas.gov.au/health_and_wellbeing/young_people/related_topics/information_and_education/services/youth_health_services)