



Mission Australia and Central & Eastern Sydney Primary Health Network present the Making Space Program.

The program has been designed in response to an identified need for support for people with a primary experience of hoarding or compulsive acquiring and associated squalor, who may be at risk of losing their tenancy.

The Making Space program will assist individuals by utilising a trauma informed, recovery oriented and strengths-based approaches. Consumers can access practical one-on-one support to declutter and address the impacts of compulsive acquiring, informal counselling, improvement of life skills, and an online educational workshop, *Buried in Treasures*, facilitated by experienced case workers.

The Making Space Program will run from the 1st May 2024 to the 30th June 2026 and will be delivered by Mission Australia within the Sydney Local Health District and the Eastern Suburbs of Sydney and other parts of the CESPHN region based on identified need, area map:

<https://tinyurl.com/MakingSpaceProgramBoundaries>

Eligibility:

- Consumers with a primary experience of living with the impacts of hoarding/compulsive acquiring, who may be living in associated squalor and/or be at risk of losing their tenancy
- Live within the SLHD and the Eastern Suburbs (check map)
- Not receiving NDIS, MAC or NSW Health support
- Identified need for compulsive acquiring/hoarding psychosocial support
- Have the ability to undertake an informal assessment process, provide informed consent and engage in supports
- No formal diagnosis required

The program aims to:

- Reduce hoarding/compulsive acquiring behaviours towards sustainable long-term change
- Reduce the psychosocial impacts of hoarding/compulsive acquiring
- Address issues underlying the hoarding/compulsive acquiring behaviours
- Increase tenancy security, and safety in the home and broader community
- Improve living conditions as well as regain control of their space
- Increase social connectedness and overall quality of wellbeing
- Build broader life skills, including confidence and resilience
- Build capacity to live independently in the community
- Aims to provide ongoing support through peer relationships
- Provides a trauma informed and strengths-based recovery orientated approaches

What the program can offer:

The program will support consumers for 6 months, consumers will have access to psychosocial supports that are aligned with their individual needs and identified supports. Support will be tailored which includes case management, living skills training, practical one-on-one support, and support via the *Buried in Treasures* facilitated workshop while supporting consumer to connect to other supports before the conclusion of the program.

How to submit a referral:

Anyone can make a referral to the Making Space program via our online referral form: [Making Space: Hoarding Program \(cesphn.org.au\)](https://cesphn.org.au)

For any issues with submitting a referral follow the image guide below or feel free to contact our team on: (02) 8775 6100

1. Click 'Select Service Provider'

The screenshot shows the top section of the online referral form. It features six 'Select a File' buttons for uploading documents. Below these buttons is a link: 'For more information on all Mental Health programs in the Central and Eastern Sydney region, visit: www.cesphn.org.au'. At the bottom right of this section, there are three buttons: 'Cancel Referral', 'Download', and 'Select Service Provider'. The 'Select Service Provider' button is circled in red.

2. Tick Box

The screenshot shows the 'Select Service Provider' table. The table has columns: Practitioner, Location Name, Organisation, Program, Location of Service, Distance from Client Location, and Profile. There is one row with the following data: Practitioner (empty), Location Name (Making Space), Organisation (Mission Australia), Program (Making Space), Location of Service (SURRY HILLS 2010), Distance from Client Location (9.85km), and Profile (View). To the left of the table, there is a checkbox labeled 'Referral organisation will assign practitioner'. This checkbox is circled in red.

3. Click 'Send Referral'

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4. Referral Sent Successfully

The screenshot shows the 'Referral Sent Successfully' confirmation page. It displays the following information: 'The referral has been successfully sent to Mission Australia for Making Space program.', 'The referral reference number is: CES52511.', 'Referral Date: 27/06/2024.', 'Client Name: test test.', 'Date of Birth: 26/06/2024.', and 'Referrer Name: .'. There is a 'Print' button at the bottom. On the right side, there is a green banner that says 'Referral Saved Successfully'.

For more information: [Making Space \(missionaustralia.com.au\)](https://missionaustralia.com.au)