

Tripartite Alliance for Workplace Safety and Health

Supporting Mental Well-being at Workplaces in Singapore









Overview of Mental Well-being in Singapore

1 in 7 people in Singapore has experienced mental disorder in their lifetime



Work environment was one of the factors¹ **3 out 4** did not seek professional help



- (i) Inability to recognise the symptoms of mental illnesses
- (ii) Concerns regarding the stigma associated with mental illness

COVID-19 has highlighted the need for employers to pay more attention and provide support for employees' mental wellbeing



¹World Health Organisation. 2019. Mental health in the workplace. Retrieved from <u>https://www.who.int/mental_health/in_the_workplace</u>.

Total Workplace Safety and Health (WSH): An approach that looks at work, safety and health together

It supports companies in managing safety, health, including <u>mental well-</u> <u>being</u>, through a wide selection of free activities, talks and workshops, such as:

- Stretch and Rejuvenate
- Enhancing People Mastery
- Stress away in a fun way: Emotional Eating



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At workplaces, here's what we are doing...

1. Stand against discrimination for those with mental health history

Tripartite Alliance for Fair & Progressive Employment Practices (TAFEP) has made clear that mental health conditions should not be asked during hiring, unless it is a job requirement





2. Build employee awareness of mental well-being





- WSHC's <u>Total WSH Programme</u> provides access to free mental well-being talks and workshops e.g.
 - Understanding common mental health issues
 - Building resilience
 - Stress management
 - Providing Effective Support: Counselling Skills 101



3. Identify and manage work stressors via the iWorkHealth tool

A project by:



What is iWorkhealth?

Company-based, online, self-administered survey tool to <u>identify workplace</u> <u>stressors</u>

- Free & simple to use
- Secures and protects identity of respondents
- Helps identify and present areas of improvement
- Reports available for organization, team and individuals



4. Normalise help-seeking behaviour

A National mental well-being campaign: "It's OKAY to Reach Out"





For more recommendations..

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Other Available Resources



