

While Christmas should be a time of joy, happiness and the coming together of friends and family. For many it is a time of difficulty due to isolation, loneliness, family breakdown. If you are struggling during this period of time, here are a few organisations who will be able to help you. Please do not hesitate to reach out for help...

ANXIETY UK

Charity providing support if you have been diagnosed with an anxiety condition.

Phone: 03444 775 774 (Monday to Friday, 9.30am to 5.30pm)

Website: <u>www.anxietyuk.org.uk</u>

CALM

CALM is the Campaign Against Living Miserably, for men aged 15 to 35.

Phone: 0800 58 58 58 (daily, 5pm to midnight)

Website: www.thecalmzone.net

MEN'S MENTAL HEALTH FORUM

24/7 stress support for men by text, chat and email.

Website: www.menshealthforum.org.uk

MIND

Promotes the views and needs of people with mental health problems.

Phone: 0300 123 3393 (Monday to Friday, 9am to 6pm)

Website: <u>www.mind.org.uk</u>

NO PANIC

Voluntary charity offering support for sufferers of panic attacks and obsessive compulsive disorder (OCD). Offers a course to help overcome your phobia or OCD.

Phone: 0844 967 4848 (daily, 10am to 10pm). Calls cost 5p per minute plus your phone provider's Access Charge

Website: www.nopanic.org.uk

PAPYRUS

Young suicide prevention society.

Phone: HOPElineUK 0800 068 4141 (9am to midnight, every day of the year)

Website: www.papyrus-uk.org

SAMARITANS

Confidential support for people experiencing feelings of distress or despair.

Phone: 116 123 (free 24-hour helpline)

Website: www.samaritans.org.uk

SANE

Emotional support, information and guidance for people affected by mental illness, their families and carers.

Textcare: comfort and care via text message, sent when the person needs it most: <u>www.sane.org.uk/textcare</u>

Peer support forum: <u>www.sane.org.uk/supportforum</u>

Website: www.sane.org.uk/support

YOUNG MINDS

Information on child and adolescent mental health. Services for parents and professionals. Phone: Parents' helpline 0808 802 5544 (Monday to Friday, 9.30am to 4pm) Website: www.youngminds.org.uk

NSPCC

Children's charity dedicated to ending child abuse and child cruelty. Phone: 0800 1111 for Childline for children (24-hour helpline) 0808 800 5000 for adults concerned about a child (24-hour helpline) Website: www.nspcc.org.uk

REFUGE

Advice on dealing with domestic violence. Phone: 0808 2000 247 (24-hour helpline) Website: <u>www.refuge.org.uk</u>

CRUSE BEREAVEMENT CARE

Phone: 0808 808 1677 (Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm) Website: <u>www.cruse.org.uk</u>

RAPE CRISIS

To find your local services phone: 0808 802 9999 (daily, 12pm to 2.30pm and 7pm to 9.30pm) Website: <u>www.rapecrisis.org.uk</u>

VICTIM SUPPORT

Phone: 0808 168 9111 (24-hour helpline) Website: <u>www.victimsupport.org</u>



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