



**SASH**  
**Support After**  
**Sexual Harm**

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**Support After Sexual Harm (SASH) Service**

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**SASH is a free and voluntary paediatric specialist sexual assault service based at The Royal Children's Hospital (RCH). We provide services at community-based sites in Western Melbourne and at the RCH.**

### Sexual assault counselling

SASH provides counselling and support for children and young people aged 0-17 who have:

- experienced sexual harm
- engaged in harmful or problematic sexual behaviour
- recently experienced/disclosed sexual assault and present at the RCH.

The focus of all our work is the safety, rights and recovery of children.

### Referrals and consultation

- SASH is a voluntary service and therefore accepts referrals from parents/carers, child protection or self-referrals from children considered 'mature minors'.
- Other professionals can help to facilitate referrals to SASH, however involvement of the legal guardian/s is needed in most cases.
- Scan the QR code below for further information about SASH and referral process.

#### Visit SASH

Scan the QR code for further information about SASH



### Sexual assault crisis response

SASH provides face-to-face sexual assault crisis responses for children and young people who have experienced recent sexual harm or recently disclosed sexual harm and present at the RCH.

Sexual assault crisis responses are provided at the RCH seven days a week, 24 hours a day. A SASH Clinician will attend the RCH to provide emotional and psychological support, risk and safety assessment and information and advice to children, young people and their families.

To refer for a sexual assault crisis response:

- Business hours - call **03 9345 6391** (Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm)
- After hours – call the Sexual Assault Crisis Line on **1800 577 011** (Monday to Friday, 5pm to 9am, all weekends and public holidays)

### Other services for professionals

SASH offers a free secondary consultation service for industry professionals (e.g. child protection workers, teachers, support workers, GPs) working with children and families in situations involving child sexual harm/assault or harmful/problematic sexual behaviour as well as education and training to professionals.