Counselling & Mental Health Services in the Upper Clutha area

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Name/Organisation	Contact	Services
Brief Intervention Service	0800 477 115	• Free consultations to people 18 years and over in
РНО	0272319646	Central Otago.
		Referrals by GP or practice nurse
	[Based in Wanaka]	Brief intervention may include; education about
		emotional wellness, medication and illness
		prevention, Stress management, talking therapy.
		 6 funded sessions available.
		• Free consultations for youth aged 12-19
		• Referrals accepted from GP's practice nurses, school
Youth Brief Intervention Service	0800 477 115	counsellors, public health nurses
	0272319646	• Assessment and treatment options for youth who are
		experiencing mild to moderate mental health issues,
		including anxiety & depression
		8 funded sessions available
SDHB Mental Health Services	03 440 4308 COCMHT	Adult Mental Health Team (COCMHT)
	CAFMHS	Child, Adolescent, Family Mental Health Service
	[Based in Alexandra]	(CAFMHS)
	03 476 9760 CADS	 Community Alcohol and Drug Service (CADS)
		Workers from all three teams visit Wanaka on a
		regular basis.
Rachael Bentley	0212508625	Supportive counsellor, early intervention in mental
Occupational Therapist	Thesleepsolutionsclinic@gmail.com	health; anxiety, depression and life coaching.
Associate member of the Australasian		Reactivation into meaningful activity after
Sleep Association		illness/injury or grief.
22 years' experience	[Based in Wanaka. Covering Central	 Tools and strategies to assist with sleep disorders
, ,	Otago]	 Mindfulness facilitation groups and individuals.
Registered with the Occupational Therapy		 Injury rehab consultancy assessment, treatment,
Board of New Zealand		rehabilitation
-		 Pain management , equipment and work place
		assessments
Meg Bryant	0278102671	Individual counselling
Counsellor/Family Therapist	megbryant40@gmail.com	 Family therapy – family issues, relationships
BA Psych, PGDip Rehab, PGCert Health Sci		 Parenting
(child & adol mental health)		 Domestic violence, sexual abuse, parental separation
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	[Based in Wanaka]	 Child & adolescent mental health
Member of the NZ Assn. of Counsellors	. ,	
Heather Clay	021 887767	• Social Work Interventions, Counselling, Family Work,
Clinical Social Worker	heather@heatherclay.co.nz	Advocacy, Supervision and Mentoring. Can work in
MANZASW	,	conjunction with GP or Specialist care as needed.
25 years' experience clinical practice in the	Home visits can be made with prior	 Child and adolescent mental health and disability.
mental health and disability sector in	arrangement and under certain	 Families adjusting to health and disability issues.
, publically funded health.	circumstances.	 Available to act as an 'advocate' for
	Wanaka/Central Otago/Queenstown.	individuals/families experiencing difficulties' with
Registered with the Social Workers		other systems (Health, Welfare, Educational or
Registration Board		Vocational) accepting health or disability issues.
Robyn Cousins	027 2489 307	Free mobile family/whanau support service for
Fieldworker for ABLE Southern Family	03 448 9303	people affected by someone else's mental illness or
Support in Mental Illness/Addiction	[Based in Alexandra but visits Wanaka]	addiction
		Advocacy
		Information and Education
Malcolm Creagh	malcolm@adventuredevelopment.co.n	Counselling and psychological services to young
Adventure Development	z	people 13-20 yrs (can include those up to 24 yrs) with
		alcohol or drug issues or mental health issues such as
M.A. Counselling		anxiety or depression.
NZAC Provisional member		 Services tailored to fit situation, can include brief
	[Based in Central Otago]	interventions, longer term individual counselling,
		group work, family work and wilderness therapy
		 These services are free, funded by SDHB
Frankie Dean	03-443-8656	
Child-centred play therapy	playtherapyotago@gmail.com	
cinia centrea play therapy	www.playtherapyotago.nz	
		management issues, grief and loss through

Bsc, Dipl of Prof Counselling, Dipl Teaching,		bereavement, separation or divorce, domestic
Dipl special teaching needs		violence, depression, chronic illness or trauma,
		parental chronic illness, bullying
Member of the NZ Assn. of Counsellors	[Based in Wanaka]	Early childhood and behaviour management
		 specialist Working with children under the clinical supervision
		 working with children under the clinical supervision of ChildPlayWorks
		 Couple counselling and individual counselling for
		adults
Dr Chantal Degril	022 1200 500	
Psychotherapist	centralpsych1@gmail.com	
Registered with the Psychotherapists Board	[Central Otago]	
of Aotearoa NZ		
Kathryn Denniston	021 0289 7288	Mental health issues – stress, depression, anxiety,
Wakatipu Wellness	kathryn@re-create.co.nz	self-esteem, trauma
BSW (Hons), ANZASW, DAPAANZ	[Based in Queenstown]	Problematic substance abuse Drug & algebal accessments for amplayers or to
Member of Aotearoa NZ Association of		Drug & alcohol assessments for employers or to support court process
Social Workers		Professional supervision
Trudy Dent	0800 328 744	• Free consultation and assessment for eating disorders
Clinical Nurse Specialist; Southern Support	southernsupport@ashburn.co.nz	Guided self-help strategies (up to 6 sessions)
Eating Disorders Service (SSED)		Advice for family/whanau for access to access
		support networks
		Education & training for health professionals and others
		 others Referrals from GP's, Practice Nurses, Public Health
		Nurses
		School Counsellors [with up-to-date physical health
		assessment from GP].
Greg Dobson	0223 407 622	Free half hour initial consultation
Rural Edge Counselling, RPN NZ	recounselling@gmail.com	Free hall nour initial consultation
Private counsellor	[Based in Alexandra but visits Wanaka]	
Problem Navigator Coach		
Registered with the Nursing Council of NZ		
Mary Ferguson	0275 044730	Adults & Couples: Trauma, grief, anxiety, relationship
Child and Adolescent Psychotherapist	Maryferguson3@gmail.com	difficulties
Registered Psychotherapist		 Children, young people and family's with concerns, and/or behaviour problems
PBANZ, MNZAP, MNZACAP		 Unsettled babies and infants who are hard to
Child, Youth and Family Specialist	[Based in Queenstown but visits	understand or manage
ACC - Sensitive Claims	Wanaka regularly]	• Family dispute resolution practitioner. Family Court
		counsellor. Post-separation and mediating parenting
Registered with the Psychotherapists Board of Aotearoa NZ		plans
•	0800 488 499	Crisis intervention Relationship Councelling
Hal Kennedy The Relationship Clinic	halkennedy@relationshiphelp.co.nz	 Relationship Counselling Approved Family Court Counsellor.
MNZAC AMINZ	www.therelationshipclinic.co.nz	 Approved Family Court Counsellor. Counsellor, coach, facilitator, mediator, trainer and
	[Limited sessions in Wanaka]	supervisor who has worked with group and couple
Member of the NZ Assn. of Counsellors		dynamics for the past 20+ years.
Liz Maluschnig	443 1955 / 027 4334 520	Adult counselling: depression, family and couple
Counselling & Psychotherapy	lizmaluschnig@gmail.com	relationships, sexual abuse, eating disorders, self-
Registered Comprehensive Nurse		esteem, crisis, pregnancy, anger management, cancer support, grief and loss, life coaching,
Dip. Counselling MNZCCA		workplace support
24 years' experience.		 Counselling for Youth & Children: Self-esteem,
Spiritual Director	[Based in Wanaka]	bullying, abuse, reconciliation between children and
Mombor of NZ Christian Course llars As		parents, anger management, eating disorders, grief
Member of NZ Christian Counsellors Assn.		and loss. Can use interactive drawing therapy.Tools and strategies to equip parents
Karyn Munro	03 443 0496	 Counselling for Mount Aspiring College students and
Guidance Counsellor	0274640334	their families. Pro- Active solution /resiliency based
Mount Aspiring College	munrok@mtaspiring.school.nz	counselling
BA, MEd (Counselling). PGDip. in Health		
Sciences (with credit endorsed in mental health), Dip Teaching		
Member of the NZ Assn. of Counsellors		
Gemma Nott	021 799 332	Working with adult individuals
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Counselling & Psychotherapy MNZAC, Registered Psychotherapist Dipl. in Psychosynthesis Psychotherapy / Dip. in Psychosynthesis Counselling Member of the NZ Assn. of Counsellors Registered with the Psychotherapists Board of Aotearoa NZ	gemmanott@xtra.co.nz [Based in Wanaka]	 Problems with relationships & loneliness Experience of loss, separation & grief Feelings of being stuck and unable to change patterns of behaviour
Gaye Thompson Counselling & Social Work Dip. in Counselling & Bachelor of Social Work Registered with the Social Workers Registration Board	027 259 2864 thompsondhkg@xtra.co.nz [Based in Wanaka]	 Grief counselling with teenagers, adults and families. Working through grief, loss and change Family break-ups Family member with chronic illness or disability Workplace issues
Sonia Voldseth Revolutionary Life Coaching Wakatipu Wellness Dip. Life Coaching, J.D, Hons, LLB Eq, B Sci.	021 881 635 sonia@revolutionarylifecoaching.com [Based in Queenstown but will visit Wanaka, or via Skype or phone.]	 Specialises in anxiety, depression and body image, including eating disorders. Her approach includes principles of coaching and counselling, as well as meditation and mindfulness. She believes that no matter where you are now, what you believe about yourself or what's happened, that you deserve to be happy.
Pamela Wilson Counselling & Psychotherapy Dip.Grad. Soc.Wrk. ANZASW ACC registered counsellor	021 942 892 Pamela.wilson@xtra.co.nz [Based in Queenstown]	