Northern Health

Meet our Peer Supporter

Paige Shanmugam

The Peer Support Program provides staff and volunteers with access to trained colleagues who can offer a **listening ear, brief emotional support, and practical guidance** after challenging or distressing events at work or home.

It is a confidential contact, support and referral service provided to our people, by our people.

Whether you've experienced a critical incident, a difficult patient interaction, a personal struggle at home, or simply need someone to talk to who understands the challenges of healthcare, I'm here for you.



Role and Team: Social Worker, Acute Aged Care & GEM

Campus: Broadmeadows Hospital

Available for Peer Support: Monday – Friday, 9am – 3.30pm

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Why I became a Peer Supporter: I became a Peer Supporter because emotional and psychological safety in the workplace is important to me and I enjoy connecting with my peers. I think having a safe space at work to share our experiences and connect makes a difference in how we cope with the difficult times in a challenging industry like healthcare.

About Me: I am 28 and live with my partner and cat. I am queer and am passionate about LGBTIQA+ health. I enjoy reading fantasy, binge watching TV series and my home is full of barely surviving plants.