

FUTURE THINKING FOR MENTAL HEALTH

Kooth - Online counselling and well-being support service for children and young people

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About XenZone

- Based in Manchester
- Founded in 2001 to help break down the stigma attached to mental health services
- Works across the country in 35+ different local authority areas provides mainly online service (Kooth), but also blended services (face-to-face AND online).
- Kooth is our flagship service
- Has won awards for delivery
 - Works best as fully integrated service
 - Provides gateway to other services (inc. f2f counselling)
 - Attracts 'hard to reach' and 'under the radar' YP
 - Supports over 10,000 young people each year through its variety of support tools

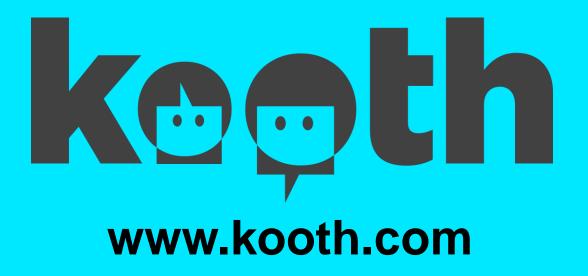
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Online counselling & well-being support

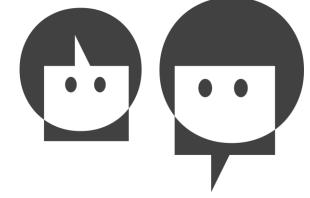
- Young people can sign up themselves no referral needed
- Text based live or asynchronous messaging
- Offers a range of therapeutic tools and activities
- Open 365 days a year: Out of Hours Service
- 12-10pm weekdays, 6-10pm weekends





You may have problems

At home
At school
With friends
With relationships
With bullies
If you feel low and depressed

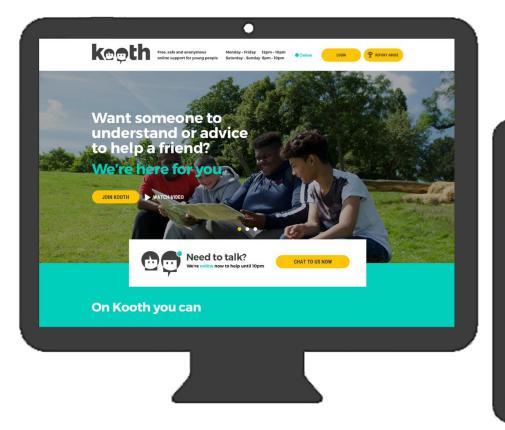


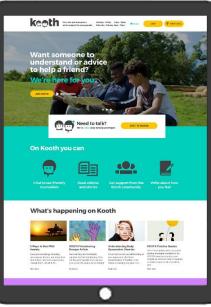
You can talk to us about anything

Kooth isn't just counselling

- Forums
- Self-help tools
- Messaging
- Articles
- $\circ~$ Online games, blogs and more

Step 1: Sign Up







Tell us some information about yourself

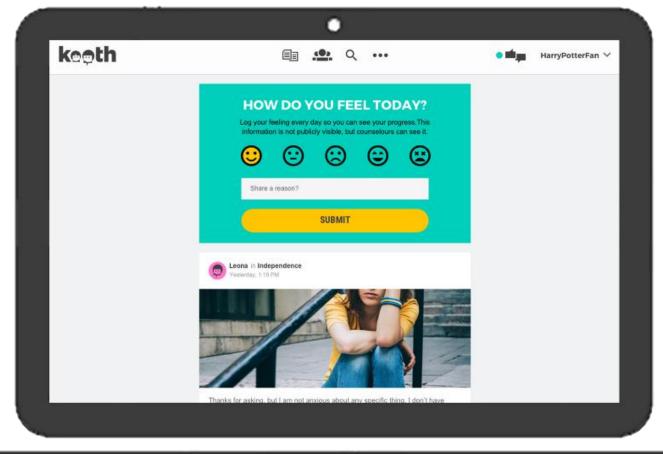
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| | Enter the city that you currently I | ive in | |
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| | Boy Choose the one you most identif | | |
| | My ethnicity is | , | |
| | Knowing your ethnicity helps us | understand who uses Kooth. | |
| | I was born in the year | I was born in the month | |
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| | Kooth is only available to a limite know the year you were born. | d age group, that's why we need to | |
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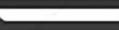
Create your username and password

Don't use your real name!

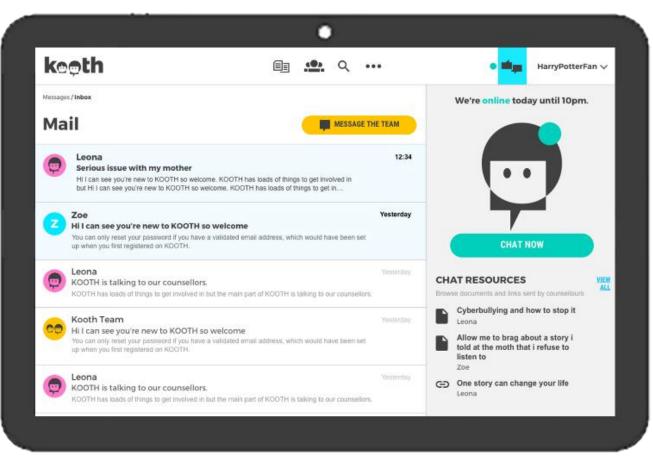
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| | I would like this username | |
| | It's best to use a mix of letters and numbers. Your username needs to be between 6 and 20 characters. Don't use your real name as | |
| | people will know it's you. My password will be | |
| | | |
| | Use a mix of letters and numbers of at least 8 characters. Make sure you memorise it because if you lose your password, you will not be able to sign in. | |
| | Confirm password | |
| | Please retype your password for safety reasons. | |
| | Where did you learn about Kooth? | |
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Now you're on Kooth!





Press the green 'Chat now' button to talk to a counsellor





- A counsellor will see you are in the queue and pick up from there
- It should be pretty quick but they might be just finishing a chat with someone else first

Counsellors are available from: 12 midday to 10pm Monday to Friday 6pm to 10pm at weekends



 You can access the rest of the site while you wait, check your messages etc

 A button will flash on screen when a counsellor has opened a 'room' to talk to you

 You can also send an email message if you prefer, either to the team or to a specific counsellor

Send a message to a counsellor

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| | Message the team | | | | | | |
| | Subject | | | | | | |
| | Serious issue with my mother | | | | | | |
| | Content | | | | | | |
| | Please write your message here then press the submit button. | | | | | | |
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| Workers will get back to you as soon as possible, usually within one day, hopefully the same day | | | | | | | |
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Forums

To help other young people or to get advice yourself

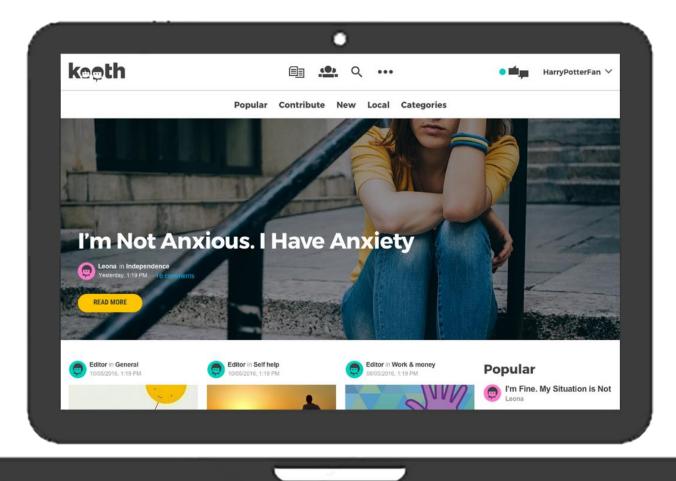
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| | Following | • Live | Ask P | (ooth | Popular | Topics | | |
| You are seeing the topics that | are currently or will be soon live and read | dy for disc | ussion be | low. | | | | × |
| | Live | | | | | | | |
| | • Trust Live | | | | | Ends in 2 hours | 5 replies | |
| | Pregnant | | | | | Starts in 24 hours | 0 replies | |
| | Recently ended | | | | | | | |
| | Okay, i need your people's | s help | | | | Ended yesterday | 4 replies | |
| | Does my friend want to be | my frie | nd | | | Ended yesterday | 24 replies | |
| | Why am i never enough? | | | | | Starts in 24 hours | 17 replies | |
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Live Forums

We have live forums every Mon, Wed and Fri from 7.30-9:00pm

- Every live forum is completely different and has a different theme
- You can participate in as many forums as you want
- All forums are hosted and moderated in the moment by our Kooth staff

Articles You can write for the magazine too!

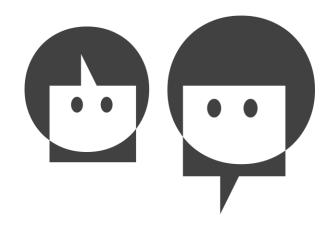


Lots of info and topics

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| | Popular Contribute New Local Cat | regories |
| | Categories | |
| | Creative fun 23 articles | ~ |
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| | Fashion 23 articles | > |
| | TV & music 23 articles | > |
| | Drugs & alcohol 50 articles | ~ |
| | Family & friends 8 articles | ~ |
| | Health & wellbeing | ~ |
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CBT and self help resources

ALTERNATIVE THOUGHTS & ACTIONS

| 1. Dark or Distressing Thoughts | 2. Alternative Thoughts | 3. Alternative Actions |
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| What are the thoughts (words, images, memories) that made me feel distressed? | What I will tell myself (as reasonable alternatives to the distressing thoughts): | What I have done in the past that helped: |
| | | My coping resources: |
| | What would I say to a close friend who was feeling this way? | |
| 4. Call for help (if still necessary) | - | What I will do to help calm and soothe myself: |
| If I still feel overwhelmed and out of control, I will I call, and/or go to: | Coping statements, positive self-talk: | |
| | | What I can I do for the next 20 minutes (and give it my full attention): |
| | | |
| E.g. Friend / relative, Health professional, Helpline (Samaritans 08457 90 90 90), A&E, 999 | What can I tell myself that will make me feel better, or remind myself of good things about me, my life, the future? | To help me cope, I can choose to do things for 20 minutes at a time. If nothing helps, then I can go to step 4 |



Building more evidence bases – symptom, impact, feedback, goal and global tracking

| | | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
|---|----------------------------------|-------|-----------|-------|--------|
| 1 | I feel sad or empty | Never | Sometimes | Often | Always |
| 2 | Nothing is much fun anymore | Never | Sometimes | Often | Always |
| 3 | I have trouble sleeping | Never | Sometimes | Often | Always |
| 4 | I have problems with my appetite | Never | Sometimes | Often | Always |
| 5 | I have no energy for things | Never | Sometimes | Often | Always |
| 6 | I am tired a lot | Never | Sometimes | Often | Always |
| 7 | I cannot think clearly | Never | Sometimes | Often | Always |
| 8 | l feel worthless | Never | Sometimes | Often | Always |
| 9 | I feel like I don't want to move | Never | Sometimes | Often | Always |
| 0 | l feel restless | Never | Sometimes | Often | Always |



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What is counselling?

RESPECT your counsellor

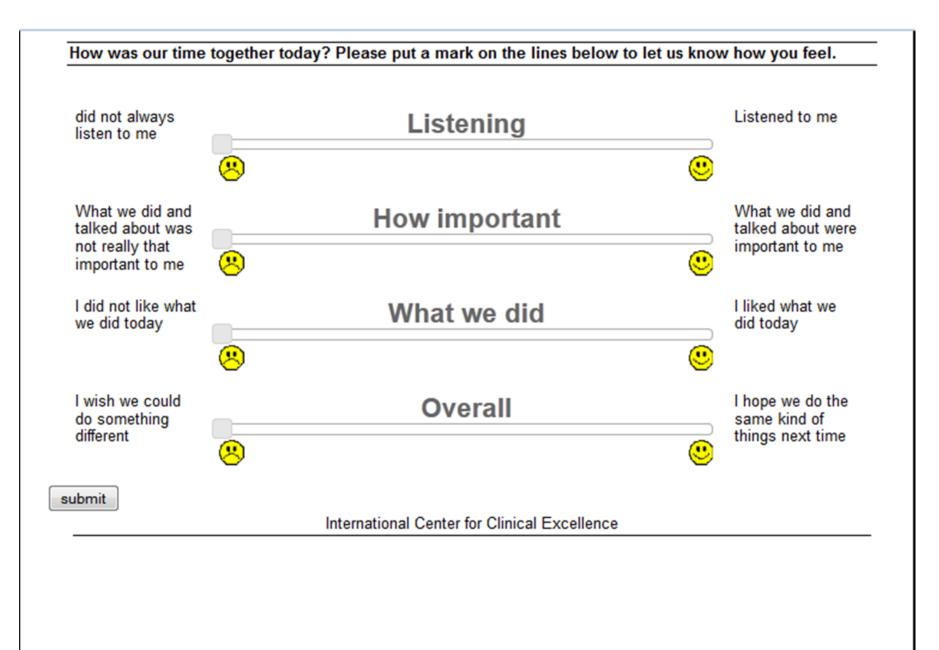
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Complaints

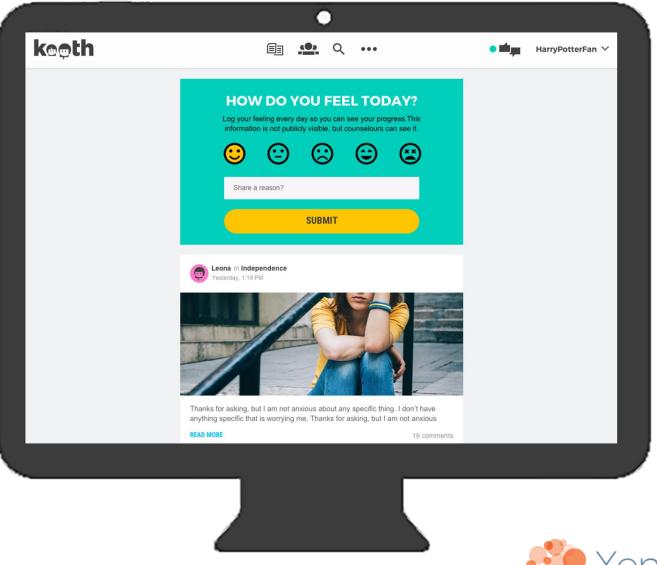
Tips and tricks

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| These questions are about how you have been feeling OVER THE LAST WEEK. Please read each question carefully. Think how often you have felt like | | | | | | | |
| that in the last week a | | | | | fits best. | | |
| OVER THE LAST WEEK | Wat at all | Orith occasionality | Sometimes | Other | wood of the line | | |
| 1. I've felt edgy or nervous | ۰ | | 2 2 | 3 | 4 | | |
| 2. I haven't felt like talking to anyone | ۰ | | 2 | 3 | □ ₄ | | |
| 3. I've felt able to cope when things go wrong | □₄ | 3 | 2 | L 1 | ۰ | | |
| 4. I've thought of hurting myself | 0 | | 2 2 | 3 | □ ₄ | | |
| 5. There's been someone I've felt able to ask for help | □₄ | □ ₃ | 2 | | ۰ | | |
| 6. My thoughts and feelings distressed me | ۵. | | 2 | 3 | □ ₄ | | |
| 7. My problems have felt too much for me | ۰. | | 2 2 | 3 | □₄ | | |
| 8. It's been hard to go to sleep or stay asleep | ۰. | | 2 | 3 | □₄ | | |
| 9. I've felt unhappy | ۰ | | 🗖 2 | D 3 | □₄ | | |
| 10. I've done all the things I wanted to | 4 | 3 | Q 2 | 1 | . | | |

Thankyou for answering these questions

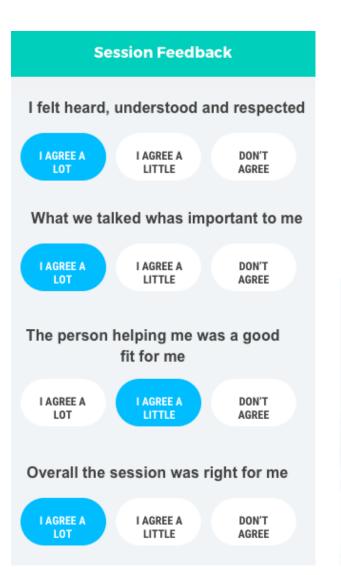


Kooth journal



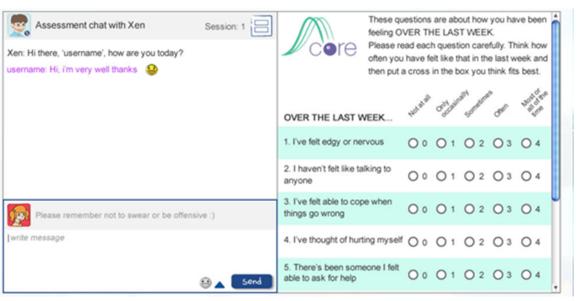


CoGS



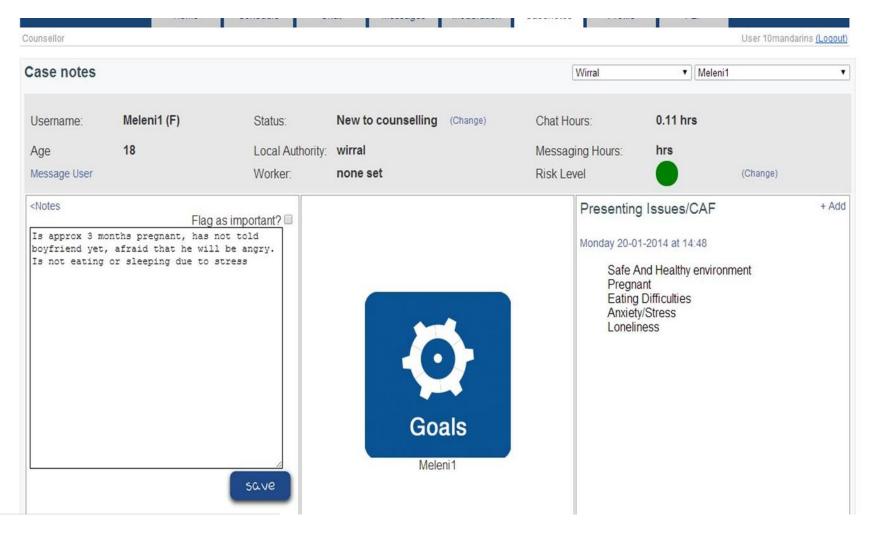
Counselling Goals System







Case notes





Signposting

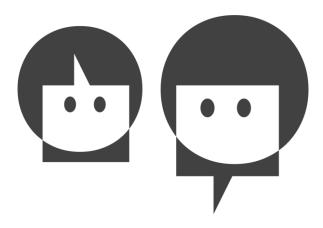
abuse serviceT1-T3

| Pathways | | | | | |
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| iew Policies | Wirral Safeguarding Children Boa | rd | | | |
| Write Policies | Child Protection | | Out of | Hours | Vulnerable Adults |
| Write Pathways | Unborn – 18 [LAC older – dep whether they were 16 yrs whe entered Care] 0151 606 2006 M – F 9am – 5pm For informal discussions and information Central Advice an Team 0151 606 2565 Can use number for consultation/advice without giving details In cases of Suicide, imminent immediate danger - EMERGEN SERVICES 999 | en Id Duty this ce and | Emergency Duty T and Adult 0151 677 6557 M – F 5pm – 9am, w holidays Out of Hours GP - Cl direct if feeling suicio team support - 0151 In cases of Suicide, i immediate danger - SERVICES 999 | eekends, and Bank ent can contact lal and need crisis 6788496 mminent and | 0151 643 7320 Need to fill in AP1 form - ring number for copy |
| | Tier 0 | Tier 1 | | Tier 2 | Tier 3 |
| | 0 Armistead Centre0 Childline Cruse Bereavement Care0 NHS.UK0 Rape, sexual assault and sexual | Al AnonT1 Borderline world 0 MEND0 Wirral Bro Wirral Pol | Personality Disorder | Narcotics Anoymous (N RESPONSE Tranmere Community I Zero Centre | Talking Changes T2, T3 |



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