Mental Wellbeing program for St. Mira's College for Girls, Pune

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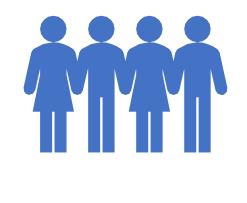
- Students face stress due to various events some of which includes academics, career-related issues, social relationships, parental conflict, emotional abuse and addiction.
- 37.7% of the students were suffering from moderate depression in Indian Universities. (Asian Journal of Psychiatry)
- India also has one of the highest student suicide rates in the world, and on an average, one student commits suicide every hour. (National Crime Records Bureau)
- We need a Preventive Program which integrates with intervention model

Why do we need a mental wellbeing program?

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- A survey was conducted to explore existing beliefs, help seeking behaviours and mental wellbeing concerns faced by students of St. Mira's college for Girls, Pune.
- 860 Students participated in the online survey through google form



Some key findings

What do you feel are the most common problems faced by you and your peers?

Stress	Anxiety	Anger	Phone addiction	Poor Body image	Loneliness	Thoughts about suicide	Self harm
71.2% (607)	36.2% (311)	43.5% (374)	29.9% (257)	19.2% (165)	30.9%(266)	8.1% (70)	7.4%(64)

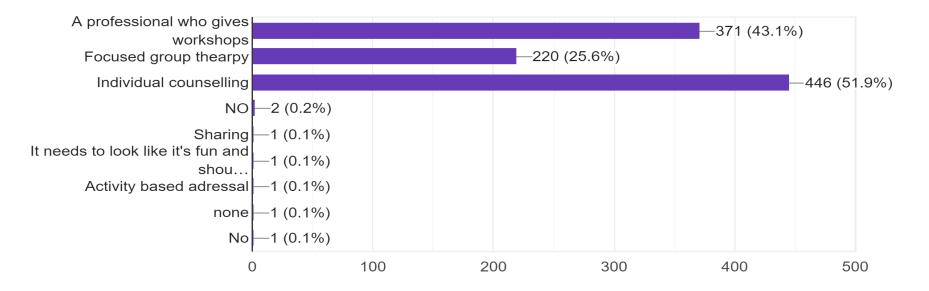
If available, would you access/want mental health support and education programs conducted in college?

Yes	Maybe	Νο
62.1 % (534)	23.4% (201)	14.5%(125)

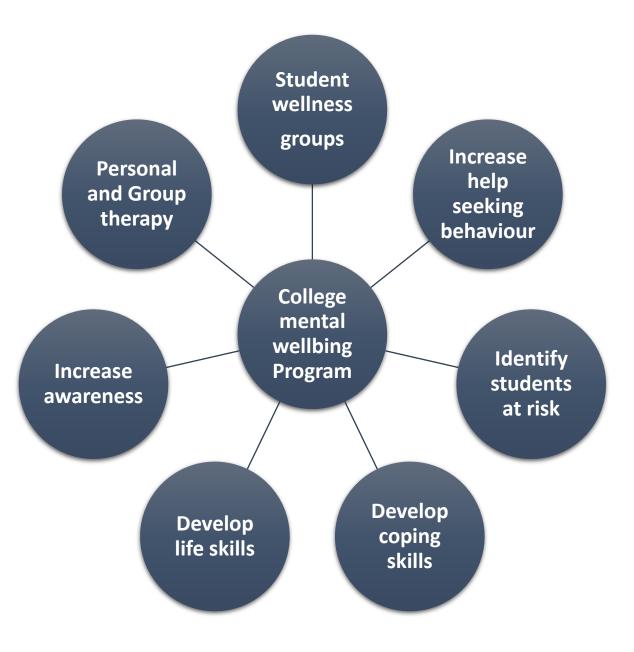
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860 responses



Mental Wellbeing Program: Objectives



Structure of the Program



Individual counselling

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Focused group therapy-topics raised in awareness sessions.



Awareness sessions

Highlights of the program



Counsellor on call available on campus everyday of the academic year



Two part time counsellors available two days every week for individual counselling services



Student centric as well as staff centric program



Open ended program so emerging issues can be addressed as per the immediate needs



It's a unique tailormade program for St. Mira's College using contextual framework.



Based on resilience and ecological framework