

How do I get help?

Simply call our self-referral telephone helpline to make an appointment. One of our therapists will answer any questions you may have and can discuss your problem with you over the phone in a sensitive and caring manner. Your GP can also refer you to the service.

Or you can self-refer via our website:
staffsandstoketalkingtherapies.nhs.uk

Self-referral Helpline
0300 303 0923

We are experienced at adapting our service and resources to meet individual needs.

Urgent help

Please note this is not an emergency service. If you feel that you or someone you know requires urgent help, please contact your GP or out of hours GP service. Alternatively, contact the Access Team (available 24/7) freephone:

- North Staffordshire & Stoke-on-Trent: 0800 0 328 728 (option 1)
- South Staffordshire: 0808 196 3002

In the event of a medical emergency, please go straight to A&E.

Your views

Your feedback about your experience of the service is welcome and helps us to improve our service to you. Please feedback anonymously on our website about your experience:
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Not sure about a formal appointment?

You can access self-help resources on our website for the following problems:

- Anxiety
- Alcohol
- Bereavement
- Depression
- Domestic violence
- Eating disorders
- Health anxiety
- Obsessions & compulsions
- Panic
- Post traumatic stress
- Post natal depression
- Social anxiety
- Sleeping problems

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Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent
Talking Therapies

Couples Therapy for Depression

Helping You as a Partnership
To Understand and Manage



for anxiety and depression

Who are we?

Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Talking Therapies is a team of NHS experts. We specialise in treating the kinds of common problems that affect all of us at some time. The therapies we provide are evidence-based treatments in line with National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE) guidance, which is a national recommendation of best practice.

Our therapists can offer appointments in a variety of ways, including telephone, video links and face to face in venues which may be in your GP practice or in one of our clinics in your local community.

Our aim is to make access to treatment as accessible and as convenient as possible. We offer appointments via interpreting services and evening appointments are available.



What do we provide?

We can offer different interventions to help including CBT a prescriptive form of therapy or counselling which is more discussion based and reflective.

At your first appointment, a therapist will work with you to reach a shared, detailed understanding of your problem. They will then explain the range of effective treatments that we offer, which include:

- Cognitive behavioural therapy
- Interpersonal therapy
- Couples therapy
- Counselling
- Guided self-help
- Group workshops and short courses

We also offer advice on things such as Problem solving (e.g. employment, financial, housing, relationships).

How we can help?

We can help depressed individuals in committed relationships learn to cope with their depression as a team with their partner.

We work with couples who are married or are partners committed to each other to address a wide variety of issues related to depression.

- Partners of depressed individuals often want to help, but don't know how. This will help both members of the couple better understand depression and how to support one another.
- Depression can sometimes make having a healthy relationship more difficult; if you are experiencing relationship concerns, those can be addressed as well.
- Research suggests that this treatment works as well as, and sometimes better than, individual treatment for depression and can also enhance and strengthen relationships.

