

Skill Development 2026

# Autism & Suicide Prevention

This 5.5-hour live webinar covers suicide risk and prevention strategies in **autistic children and youth**. Clinical expertise and case examples will be incorporated in the training to support participants to develop their knowledge about how to assess and respond to suicidality. During this training you will:

- Learn about suicide prevalence and risk factors for autistic people
- Explore suicide risk assessment tools and resources adapted for this population
- Listen to lived experienced perspectives on suicidality and accessing mental health care
- Explore case examples and develop suicide safety plans for autistic youth.

## Who is the training for?

Mental health clinicians and other professionals working with **autistic children and young people**, e.g. psychologists, social workers, speech pathologists, occupational therapists, paediatricians, psychiatrists and registrars.



## Who provides the training?

**Dr Darren Hedley**, Associate Professor, Principal Research Fellow and Research Director of the Health & Wellbeing research program: Olga Tennison Autism Research Centre (OTARC), La Trobe University

**Dr Claire Brown**, Post-Doctoral Research Fellow in the Health & Wellbeing Research Program: OTARC, La Trobe University

**Dr Jodie Wilson**, Research Associate: OTARC, La Trobe University

**Dr Sanjay Patel**, Child and Adolescent Psychiatrist: Royal Children's Hospital

**Johanna Rouse**, Autism Lecturer and Senior Occupational Therapist: Mindful  
**Lived and living experience** perspectives.

**DATE:** Friday 13 March

**TIME:** 9:00am – 2:30pm

**LOCATION:** Online via Zoom\*

**COST:** \$210 / \$105\*

\*Subsidised rate for Victorian clinicians in ICYMHs, headspace, Take Two, ACCHOs, & Children's Health & Wellbeing Locals.

**Register online at [mindful.org.au/autism-training](http://mindful.org.au/autism-training)**

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