

'SURREY MILITARY YOUNG CARERS MATTER'











SURREY MILITARY PROFILE

- 5,000 Army Regulars
- 170 Reservists
- Veteran Population unknown, although 22,000 people leave the military each year.
- The size of the ex-service community in UK (defined as veterans and their dependents) is 10.5 million people. 4.8 million people are veterans (4 million in England) and 5.37 million people are dependents
- The majority of the serving Armed Forces' primary health needs are met by the Ministry of Defence. Although it is recognised that greater responsibility for secondary care will be a responsibility of the CCGs.



MILITARY AND VETERAN CARERS

- Service community is more likely to have some caring responsibility
- 23% of those aged 16-64 have a caring responsibility, compared with 12% nationally
- 1:5 of the ex-Service community has some unpaid responsibility as a carer for a family member, friend or neighbour, which is equivalent to around 990,000.
- 1:10 of all carers in the ex-Service community agree that they struggle to cope with their caring responsibilities; equivalent to around 110,000 people



Military Young Carers

The Hidden Carers:

A military young carer is someone between the ages of 5-18 years of age, who helps look after a relative who has a condition, such as a disability, illness, mental health condition, or a drug or alcohol problem, who is serving or has served in the Armed Forces.

UK has 170,000 Military Children but......

No data is held on how many of these children are caring Combatstress - military dependent child 1: 3.2 veterans Combatstress has 6,004 military personnel on their books making a potential for 2,500 Veteran MYCs.



"I wish army people did not have to move"

"I wish soldiers would get home safe!"

"I wish I did not have to move schools"

"I wish I could stay in one place"

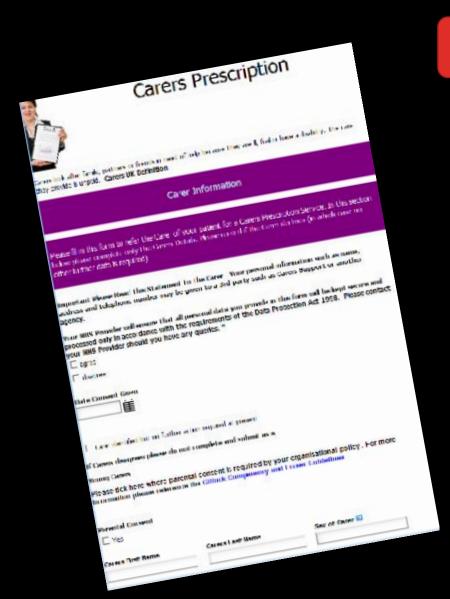


SURREY YOUNG CARERS – DEVELOPING A MILITARY YOUNG CARERS SERVICE

- In partnership with the Surrey Civilian Military Partnership Board we are planning to launch a dedicated MYC Service to improve the identification and understanding of MYCs and provide tailored support to their needs.
- For the purpose of this service we define a MYC as any child under the age of 18 years caring for someone who is either existing service personnel, reservists or veteran



Carers Prescription



Simple Process

Fast Delivery

Common Process of Carer referral for service

Effective measurable outcomes

Secure Data Transfer

Cost Effective



WHAT'S AVAILABLE IN SURREY?

10 Carers Support Organisations that are borough and district based. They provide advice, advocacy, information and support



Surrey Crossroads Care – Generic Home Based Care and EOL Carers Support

Action for Carers Surrey -**Young Carers Service**

- Back Care
- Work and Training GP Carers Awareness Advice
- Giving Carers a Voice





Know what to do and when to do it. Feel comfortable and confident that you have the skills to address challenging situations.



- Build a stronger relationship founded on mutual trust and a better understanding of each others' needs.
- Notice when things change so that you can keep your loved one healthy and at home.
- Communicate clearly and know how to react in a way that will support your loved one and help them achieve their goals.
- We'll help you develop new skills to move forward and establish an environment for future successes

Whether you are using a laptop, smartphone or tablet you can access your sessions at a time and place that works best for you without adding extra stress to your day. You your sessions online through your MyHealios area.



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