# **Contact information for Program/Service**

For all enquiries please contact our friendly Social Support Group team:

Wonthaggi: (03) 5671 3520 San Remo: (03) 5671 9225

Email: socialsupportgroup@basscoasthealth.org.au

## **Availability**

Individual and Group sessions are available for Commonwealth Home Support Program (CHSP) clients.

Group sessions are available fortnightly for Support at Home clients.

#### **Locations Service Provided**

The Social Support Groups are for residents of Bass Coast and South Gippsland, shared over many locations across Bass Coast Shire.

#### **Feedback**

We invite any comment you may have about the services provided.

Care Opinion is a safe and anonymous public website where you can post your comments and view responses. Please go to <a href="https://www.careopinion.org.au">www.careopinion.org.au</a>

Alternatively, you may submit your comments to the Quality Department via email quality@basscoasthealth.org.au, by phone (03) 5671 3365 or you can write to: Bass Coast Health PO Box 120 Wonthaggi 3995

# Bass Coast Health Locations Wonthaggi Hospital



235 Graham St Wonthaggi



PO Box 120, Wonthaggi Vic, 3995



(03) 5671 3333



info@basscoasthealth.org.au



www.basscoasthealth.org.au

# **Phillip Island Community Hospital**



50-58 Church St **Cowes** Vic 3922



(03) 5951 2100

#### San Remo



1 Back Beach Rd San Remo Vic 3925



(03) 5671 3333

#### Other Service sites

Some services can be provided, on request, from Corinella, Grantville, Inverloch and in your own home. Please discuss this with your service provider.

Bass Coast Health acknowledges the Bunurong People as the Traditional Custodians; their Elders past and present and the spirit of their ancestors, of the land on which we live, work and learn. We commit to reconciliation and engaging respectfully with all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in our community.









Disclaimer - The information contained in the brochure is intended to support, not replace, discussion with your doctor or health care professionals.

# Social Support Group

Individual (one-on-one) and Group outing sessions to stay active, independent and socially connected within our community





#### About the service

Bass Coast Health (BCH) is a major public healthcare provider within the Bass Coast Shire in South Gippsland which has been providing high quality care for residents of the Bass Coast Shire and beyond for over 100 years.

Bass Coast Health is an integrated health care provider providing emergency services as well as acute medical and surgical, sub-acute and residential care beds along with an extensive array of Primary and Community care services.

# What we provide

BCH's Social Support Group offers various group activities to meet a range of interests and social needs. The Groups have members from all over the Bass Coast region.

Our staff work with you and the people who support you. They provide a program of various activities and opportunites to maintain and enhance your independence and social contacts.

Transport is available. Our staff will discuss this with you if required.

# How we can help you

Our Social Support Group is a great way to stay active, independent and socially connected with others in your community.

The program is aimed to support people living at home who:

- Would like to build more social connections
- Wish to participate in gentle exercise to build and maintain strength, balance and stamina
- Are unable to get out into the community due to mobility, fatigue or confidence issues
- Feel isolated and alone
- Want a community contact within a supported group setting

#### **Benefits**

Some benefits to attending the Social Support Group include:

- Having fun
- Meeting new people or catching up with old friends
- Grabbing a bite to eat or a cuppa
- Improving sense of self
- Restoring self-confidence and motivation
- Physical improvements and a more positive outlook.

#### Cost

# **Commonwealth Home Support Program**

If you are registered with My Aged Care and are eligible for the Commonwealth Home Support Program (CHSP), you can access our Individual Support and Social Group programs at a subsidised rate.

#### **Support at Home Program**

If you are a recipient of the Support at Home Program you can still access our programs, however we are required to charge the full cost for this service to your program.

A staff member will discuss the cost of attending with you.

#### Referral

Referrals for Social Support Group are obtained

through:

My Aged Care

Phone: 1800 200 422

Webite: www.myagedcare.gov.au