



# OECD WORK ON MENTAL HEALTH

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- Making Mental Health Count: *The Social and Economic Costs of Neglecting Mental Health Care*
- Health Care Quality Indicators (HCQI): excess mortality, death from suicide
- Fit Mind, Fit Job: *From Evidence to Practice in Mental Health and Work*



# Recommendation of the OECD Council on Integrated Mental Health, School and Work Policy

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RECOMMENDS that Members and non-Members having adhered to this Recommendation:

- seek to **improve their mental health care systems** in order to promote mental wellbeing, prevent mental health conditions, and provide **appropriate and timely services which recognise the benefits of meaningful work** for people living with mental health conditions;
- seek to **improve the educational outcomes and transitions into further and higher education** and the labour market of young people living with mental health conditions;
- through close dialogue and co-operation with the social partners, seek to develop and **implement policies for workplace mental health promotion and return-to-work**;
- seek to **improve the responsiveness of social protection systems** and employment services to the needs of people living with mental health conditions.



# What's next for OECD work on mental health?

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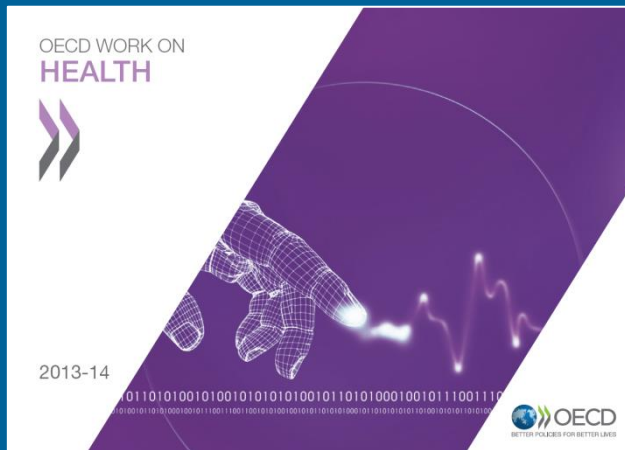
- Indicator development work will be ongoing – which indicators are most important for international comparison?
- Limited-term project on ‘preventing mental ill-health’



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