A different pathway

NSW Engagement and Support Program (ESP)

The NSW Engagement and Support Program (ESP) is a voluntary program that provides supports to people so they can make positive changes and avoid a pathway to violent extremism.

Many different types of people, of any age, can be vulnerable to engaging in violent extremism, which can be described as the use of violence to advance a social, political, or ideological cause.

The ESP is not a 'de-radicalisation' program and does not directly attempt to alter beliefs of an individual. Rather, it provides a range of tailored support services that address their vulnerabilities and build positive connections to help the client.

Our team comprises of experienced case managers and a senior specialist psychologist, working alongside experts from other government agencies. The focus of ESP is to build resilience and develop a positive sense of identity, belonging and self-worth in the individual.

To achieve this, the ESP works with clients to:
- Plan goals based on one's risks, needs, circumstances and strengths
- Access programs and services to address these goals, such as linking to education, employment, and mental health support
- Connect with positive social and community supports
- Work with other government and non-government agencies to access the services required as part of an individual's case plan.

The ESP is available to people over the age of 10. We respect the privacy of our clients and will protect their personal details. Everyone involved with supporting participants is bound by strict confidentiality laws.

Contact us now to assess eligibility or to ask any questions

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