

# HOW COULD I USE HYAP TO SUPPORT A YOUNG PERSON?

Prior to approval, brokerage is supported with a case plan and an expenditure plan by the SHS Team.

## Here are some examples of what you can use Emergency and General Brokerage for:

- **Maintaining, establishing or moving a tenancy** (e.g. outstanding bills, rental arrears, moving costs, furniture)
- **Cultural-specific expenses** (e.g. cultural event, interpreting service)
- **Medical and dental** (e.g. vaccinations, personal medical, dental check-up)
- **Legal expenses** (e.g. outstanding legal bill)
- **Living skills** (e.g. cooking class, cleaning products)
- **Child care expenses** (e.g. younger siblings)
- **Employment and Education opportunities** (e.g. school equipment, school uniforms, school fees, excursions/camp)
- **Management of housing** (e.g. cleaning services, waste removal, household items or furniture)
- **Family Restoration** (e.g. family mediation, family counselling, parenting course)
- **Early intervention** (e.g. counselling, group work)
- **Voluntary and emergency care expenses**
- **Clinical support** (e.g. counselling with psychologist or social worker)

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# HYAP UNDER 16'S HOMELESSNESS SERVICES

This service offers brokerage funds and support for young people under 16 who are at risk of homelessness.

Operating in the  
Hunter New England Health Area

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# ELIGIBILITY FOR HYAP

To be eligible for HYAP, the young person you are supporting or working with must be:

- aged 12-15;
- at risk of homelessness because the individual and their family are experiencing challenges in one of more of the following areas:

- **Family Connections**

(Children and young people are supported by and connected with family, including extended family)

- **Accommodation**

(Children and young people are living in safe and secure accommodation)

- **Education and Training**

(Children and young people are positively engaged with education or training)

- **Physical Health**

(Children and young people are physically well)

- **Mental Health and Emotional Wellbeing**

(Children and young people are mentally and emotionally well)

- **Risk-Taking Behaviours**

(Children and young people manage risk-taking behaviours—e.g. drug/alcohol, unsafe sexual practices)

- **Age Appropriate Living Skills**

(Children and young people exhibit age appropriate living skills—e.g. finance, transport, hygiene)

# HOW TO ACCESS HYAP:



- Contact your local SHS Team (Specialist Homelessness Service) and find out about their referral process. Let them know you have someone in mind who would benefit from HYAP.  
  
Talk with the young person and/or family about referring them to your local SHS Team and if they consent, make the referral.
- SHS Team will then coordinate with you to make the application request to HYAP. The HYAP Team will review the application and inform SHS if approved or not.
- Once approved the family can be supported to get the items they have requested.

Your local SHS is:



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