



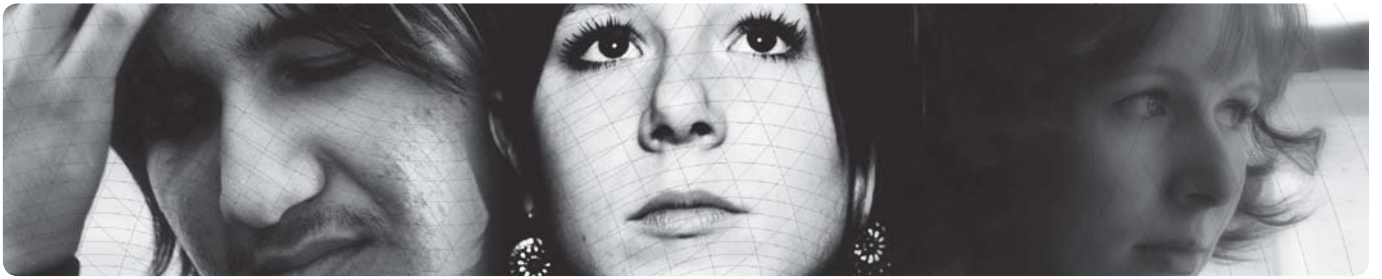
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ON EATING DISORDERS

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- II** RIGHT TO COMPREHENSIVE ASSESSMENT AND TREATMENT PLANNING
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- Educate and inform the community with programs that:
 - De-stigmatise eating disorders by promoting the understanding that an eating disorder is not an illness of choice, and by raising awareness of the causes of eating disorders
 - Increase public awareness of the signs and symptoms of eating disorders
 - Make available comprehensive information about eating disorder services and resources
- Connect with the media to provide accurate information on eating disorders and to help shift the culture's perspective on body image issues and weight and food issues
- Develop and implement effective prevention programs targeting schools and universities
- Educate and train healthcare practitioners at all levels in the recognition and treatment of eating disorders to improve the quality of care
- Provide sufficient specialist services based on regional need
- Provide people with access to fully funded, specialised treatment and care
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