## **MENTAL HEALTH**

Understanding the terms, breaking the stigma, supporting each other



#### Mental health:

Everyone has it. It's about how we think, feel and cope



#### Mental illness:

Diagnosable conditions like anxiety or depression

# Mental health issue:

any challenge or difficulty that affects mental well-being.



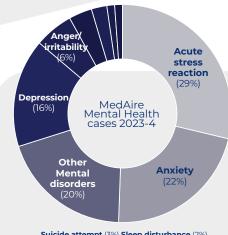
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\*Source: World Health Organizatio



**Psychologist:** Specialises in therapy and counselling for emotional issues

**Psychiatrist**: Doctor who prescribes, diagnoses and treats complex issues



Suicide attempt (3%) Sleep disturbance (2%) Substance Withdrawal (1%) Dementia (1%)

#### Mental health on yachts

Headaches, low energy and digestive issues:

Mental health issues can often manifest through physical symptoms

Anyone can suffer with a mental health issue: A variety of ages, positions and gender request emotional support Common stressers for crew include:

Long hours, lack of sleep, ABHDV\*, crew culture and alcohol/drug use

#### **Emotional Support**



Listening, empathy and connection

In-the-moment support for a traumatic event. May require further support like counselling

#### Counselling



Short-term, issue-focused talking support

Exploring the issue and helping to increase resilience and develop coping mechanisms

\*Abuse Bullying Harassment Discrimination and Violence

#### Therapy



Professional help to explore deeper issues

Support to develop long term resilience, looking at underlying patterns, past experiences, and emotional difficulties

### **HELP IS AVAILABLE!**

Early intervention and support significantly improve outcomes.



Contact MedAire for confidential support - no concern is too small!

Our team takes a holistic view of your mental and physical health. We're specialised in supporting you through challenging situations and when needed can refer you to counselling services to increase resilience.

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