

FAQs – The P.A.R.T.Y. On Program

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Q. What is the P.A.R.T.Y. Program?

A. The Prevent Alcohol and Risk-Related Trauma in Youth (P.A.R.T.Y) program is injury awareness program (see www.partyalfred.org for further information). P.A.R.T.Y. aims to provide participants with information that will enable them to recognise potential injury-producing situations, make prevention-oriented choices, and adopt behaviours that minimise unnecessary risk. P.A.R.T.Y. participants engage with health professionals and people who have experienced trauma and survived - often with significant disabilities. This allows insight into the many consequences that patients, families and health professionals are faced with as a result of risk-related trauma.

Q. Why are you running the P.A.R.T.Y. On Program?

A. Injury is largely preventable, impacting the health of Australians. In those aged 12-25 years, injury is the leading cause of hospitalisation, death, serious disability and long-term medical conditions. Not only can injury and risk-taking affect future health and wellbeing, it can also affect many other facets of their lives such as education, employment and social opportunities. Whilst senior school students have greater access to the program via our schools programs, it is important to provide older youth in our communities the opportunities hear the program's key messages. This is a time where young adults are becoming more independent and have greater autonomy away from their families through experiences such as university, work, and travel. Even if youth have some knowledge of risk-taking consequences, it is a good chance for a refresher, especially through a program delivered by those who deal with trauma daily.

Q. What content may be discussed?

A. Subject to change, content in the pre-filmed and live segments will include: medical presentation from an Alfred trauma medical specialist, pre-hospital with paramedics, demonstrations, and a live presentation with a past trauma patient who was involved in a motor vehicle collision. You will also hear from critical care staff and allied health clinicians. As this is a trauma awareness program, there will be conversations about trauma and injury which some people may find challenging. If you would like to discuss the content further, please let us know.

Q. My family member/s or I have experienced recent trauma. Is it ok to attend?

A. We certainly don't want to exacerbate any prior issues. Whilst we don't show anything graphic, we don't know your background and what you may have gone through, so we suggest that you speak to the P.A.R.T.Y. Program Coordinator prior to registering. It may be more about having processes in place to help support your attendance such as family support.

Q. Should my 18-25 year old/s family member or friend attend with someone?

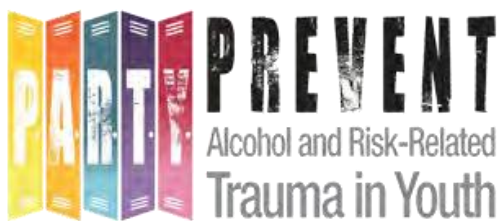
A. Yes, we would certainly encourage that anyone attending the program comes with a family member (i.e. parent/guardian or sibling) or friend of similar age. It's good to hear the information with peers and family so that the information heard can be discussed further.

Q. My family member is 17 and starting to become more independent/learning to drive.

A. Yes, even though the target audience is 18-24, we welcome their attendance. They would need permission to attend from their parent/guardian and we suggest they attend with them or an older sibling.

Q. Alternatively, my family member is 25. Can they attend?

A. Yes. We would still welcome their attendance as the content is still relevant to them.



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Q. Where is the event being held?

A. The Betty & John Laidlaw AO Alfred Innovation & Education Hub, located at The Alfred precinct at 75 Commercial Road, Melbourne. Innovation & Education Hub | Alfred Research Alliance

Q. How do we get there?

A. There are numerous ways to get to The Alfred such as via bus, train, tram and car. Please see Getting to The Alfred | Alfred Health for further information.

Q. Can we park at The Alfred?

A. Parking is available at The Alfred. Please see Parking at The Alfred | Alfred Health for further information. Alternatively, there is parking in the surrounding streets.

Q. Will participants get to see inside The Alfred hospital departments?

A. Yes. There will be supervised visits to the Emergency and Trauma Centre and the Intensive Care Unit (TBC) at the conclusion of the program for interested participants.

Q. If there is a changed response to the COVID-19 risk, what will happen to the program?

A. If there is a COVID-19 change, the program may be rescheduled to another day.

Q. Do you have COVID-19 safety precautions in place?

A. The event will be run in accordance to COVID-19 safety precautions as mandated by Alfred Health and will be rescheduled should there be a changed response to COVID risk. If you are sick with cold-like symptoms, we ask that you please stay at home.

Q. How do I contact The Alfred's P.A.R.T.Y. Program team?

A. You can contact the team at info@partyalfred.org.au or 03 9076 8542 or 0403 243 757 for further information.

For further information, please contact:

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