



Centre for  
Rural & Remote  
Mental Health

**The Centre for Rural and Remote Mental Health  
Is pleased to welcome**

**Craig Hart  
Presenting**

**Drought and Mental Health Assistance Program  
(DMHAP) 2008-09: overview of current and future work**

**Thursday 7 August 2008  
12.00 – 1.00pm**

**Centre for Rural and Remote Mental Health, Orange**

**Craig Hart**

**Project Coordinator, Drought Mental Health Assistance Program**

Craig coordinates the state-wide 2008-09 Drought Mental Health Assistance Program for the CRRMH. During the last 20 years Craig has worked in a range of organisational development and psychology related roles within both health and military environments.

**About DMHAP:**

In December 2007 the Minister Assisting the Minister for Mental Health, the Honorable Paul Lynch, announced an extension and expansion of the Drought Mental Health Assistance Package (DMHAP) coordinated by the CRRMH. The aim of this \$2.1M package is to help develop and enhance mental health support for rural communities suffering from drought and other rural crises.

The new funding allows for the continuation and expansion of most aspects of the 2007 project with special emphasis on the key priority areas of:

- \* Alcohol and other drug misuse
- \* Women
- \* Young people
- \* Older farmers
- \* Indigenous communities

The new expanded program builds on the foundations established in 2007 and make a positive contribution to addressing the short and long term mental health needs of people in the bush.

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**Registration – Free**

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