

Australia launches Cancer Hub

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The Australian Government has launched the Cancer Hub – a national one-stop digital hub that will change the way young Australians access cancer-related services.

The Cancer Hub will, for the first time, provide online counselling services to children under 12 with cancer, and their parents. It builds on Canteen Connect's current service, which provides online counselling to people 12 to 25 years, seven days a week.

The new Cancer Hub, a partnership between Canteen, Camp Quality and Redkite, will mean people under 25 years and their parents can access immediate, consolidated, and tailored cancer navigation, counselling and support services.

The Albanese Government has provided \$3.3 million to Canteen to deliver the Cancer Hub until December 2023. This includes \$1.8 million to continue the Canteen Connect service until 31 December 2023; and \$1.5 million to deliver a cancer navigation service until 31 December 2023.

The Cancer Hub will help more than 70,000 Australians navigate the cancer journey and help a further 20,000 with mental health support. It will also provide financial assistance and accommodation.