



Media Statement

Break Thru helps 3.2 million Aussies living with mental illness

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Break Thru People Solutions have now affirmed their place as one of Australia's leading disability employment providers, after winning all of their specialist mental health bids and a large number of generalist bids in the latest Commonwealth Disability Employment Services tender.

Break Thru is proud to have retained all of its existing forty-two sites, in addition to gaining new business, particularly in Queensland, Victoria and the Central Coast.

This result is a win-win for local communities throughout Australia with both job seekers and businesses gaining greater access to employment and training services as Break Thru's coverage across the eastern seaboard go from strength to strength.

Break Thru People Solutions is an Australian not-for-profit organisation and has been placing jobseekers in employment for over seventeen years. Break Thru's success stems from a strong commitment in tackling the complexities of barriers confronting many people in our communities and working with local businesses to create self-sustaining futures for these individuals.

Break Thru People Solutions CEO, Ross Lewis said "This is a substantial triumph for Break Thru as it signifies the government's confidence in our organisation to successfully deliver employment services to thousands of Australians. This win is combined with our huge expansion in the recent *Job Services Australia* program and now places us as a pre-eminent provider of Australian employment services".

Interviews/Commentary

Break Thru CEO, Ross Lewis is available for interviews and commentary by contacting Fayssal Sari on (02) 8884 3000 or 0423 006 569.

BREAK THRU COMPANY PROFILE

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Break Thru People Solutions operates with a belief that they can affect real and lasting change in the lives of all members of their local communities.

Break Thru People Solutions is an Australian not-for-profit organisation that provides a wide range of services across New South Wales, Queensland and Victoria. They are renowned for their expertise in providing employment services to a wide range of job seekers including people who are long term unemployed, Indigenous Australians, people with a disability, injury or health condition and those from a non-English speaking background.

Break Thru People Solutions also offers a range of both accredited and non accredited skills training and education services for both employers and job seekers. Their training caters for a wide array of people including those that are mature aged, parents returning to the workforce or those looking for work after injury or illness.

In tackling the increasing complexity of barriers confronting many people, Break Thru recognises that their success relies on the connection and support of the wider community. These partnerships have enabled them to assist thousands of people over the last 17 years to **break thru barriers** and **create** self sustaining **futures**.