Media Awards Application Cover Sheet

Category: Text and Online Journalism

Entry Title: The Silent Statistics

Name of Applicant: Bridget Judd

Organisation: ABC News, Online
Story: The ‘silent’ statistics

Author: Bridget Judd


Supporting evidence:

Please note: Audience responses have been deidentified to protect privacy.

From: <gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, 8 July 2020 11:11 AM
To: Bridget Judd <Judd.Bridget@abc.net.au>
Subject: Re: Silent Statistics Article

Hi Bridget, just wanted to pass on my appreciation for your article I read this morning.

As someone with similar experiences to the gentlemen you interviewed, I can certainly testify to failings of the system and the impact those failings have had on myself and my peers.

Keep up the good work and if you ever wish to do follow up pieces I would be more than happy to help in any way I can.

Kind regards,
From: <@yahoo.com.au>
Sent: Wednesday, 8 July 2020 9:23 AM
To: Bridget Judd <judd.bridget@abc.net.au>
Subject: Response to Recent Mental Health Story.

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by (@yahoo.com.au) on Wednesday, July 08, 2020 at 09:22:51

From: /news/contact/feedback/

comments: Good Morning Bridget,

I have just read your piece on mental health and I thought it was amazing. I could identify with many of the people you wrote about and have had similar experiences when it comes to care and who decides the care you receive. I have been struggling with mental health for over 20 years.

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by (@gmail.com) on Wednesday, July 08, 2020 at 17:59:11

From: /news/contact/feedback/

comments: Dear Bridget,

I just want to thank you for your brilliant article currently circulating regarding suicide loss and attempts, I lost my 19 year old son last year. He was in the ‘system’ and just fell through all the gaps. You highlight so well all the inherent problems with our mental health system.

From: <@hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 8, 2020 7:45:21 PM
To: Bridget Judd <judd.bridget@abc.net.au>
Subject: Re: The ‘silent’ statistics

Dear Bridget,

I have just read your article titled ‘The ‘silent’ statistics’ and felt compelled to write to you to congratulate and thank you for a superb piece of journalism.

The circumstances and quotes provided by Graeme and Matt reached to the depths of my soul and resonated with me with such familiarity that it brought me to tears - whilst sitting on public transport no less!
Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by (gmail.com) on Wednesday, July 08, 2020 at 08:28:08

From: https://mobile.abc.net.au/news/contact/feedback/

comments: Hi team and especially Bridget,

Thank you so much for writing the article today about the silent statistic. I am one of those numbers.

Thank you for giving us a voice.
Check out this investigative #suicideprevention article that provides a national perspective incl research, expert insight from @HM_Christensen @blackdoginst & lived experience context. Pls give this piece from @abcnews reporter @BridgetJuneJudd a read:

When Graeme woke up in a police station, he became one of...
For every death by suicide, as many as 30 others attempt to end their life. Australia has a suicide problem — it seems we ...
[abc.net.au]

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