



# JustACE

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# What is the JustACE program?



**The JustACE program provides a service to adult offenders with cognitive impairment, in Tasmania's criminal justice system.**

**The JustACE program aims to:**

## JUSTICE

Help you better understand the Justice system and comply with orders.

## ADVOCACY

Support you to advocate for your rights and needs.

## CONNECTION

Work with you to build networks of connection and support.

## EMPOWERMENT

Assist you to live a meaningful and safe life.

## What does the JustACE program offer?



### CONSULTATION

Meet with JustACE staff to find out how cognitive impairment could be impacting your day to day life and your offending.



### BRAIN TRAINING

Learn strategies to improve brain function for day to day living and help you meet justice service requirements.



### CASE MANAGEMENT

We will work with you to: Build support networks, prepare for court or reintegration, and coordinate with other services to get your needs met.

### Contact

Email: [info@justace.com.au](mailto:info@justace.com.au)  
or call Wellways on (03) 64197010

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# What is cognitive impairment?

**'Cognitive impairment' refers to changes in the brain that can affect a person's mental processes or thinking ability, communication, emotions and behaviours.**

Impacts of cognitive impairment can include:

## Thinking



Problems with memory, attention and learning



Difficulty planning, organising and problem solving

## Communication



Difficulty with speech or expressing yourself



Needing more time to process information

## Emotions



Difficulty coping with strong emotions



Challenges with stress and mental health

## Behaviour



Impulsivity - doing things without thinking



Doing inappropriate or unsafe things

## Causes of cognitive impairment

- Brain injury (accidents, assaults, falls)
- Neurodevelopmental disorders (autism, ADHD, intellectual disability)
- Heavy long term substance use (alcohol, drugs)
- Lack of oxygen to the brain (strangulation, overdose)
- Neurodegenerative diseases (Dementias, Huntington's, etc.)

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