# IFATCA

Mental wellbeing workgroup

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I have to put my pride aside. I have to do what's right for me and focus on my mental health and not jeopardize my health and well-being. That's why I decided to take a step back.

**Simone Biles** 





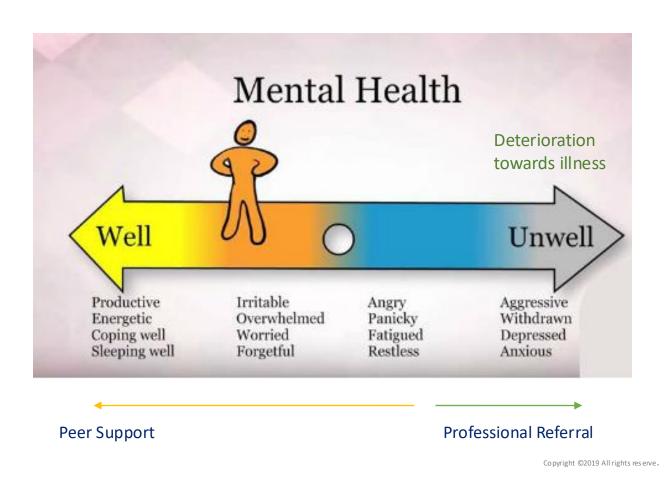


# MENTAL HEALTH & WELLBEING STAKEHOLDERS

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## **Keeping Aviators mentally healthy**





# SURVEY RESPONSES 107 RESPONSES 8 72 COUNTRIES

ASIA PACIFIC	AFRICA	EUROPE
Japan	Ghana	Germany
India	Tanzania	Spain
Malaysia	Zimbabwe	Croatia
New Zealand	Togo	Czech Republic
Pakistan	Ghana	Sweden
Singapore	Uganda	Italy
Philippines	Mozambique	Serbia
Nepal	Botswana	Poland
Australia	Tunisia	Romania
Mongolia	Gabon	Slovenia
Hong Kong	Comoros	Switzerland
Taiwan	Democratic of Republic of Congo	EGATS
MIDDLE EAST	Egypt	Norway
Yemen	Sénégal	North Macedonia
Israel	Niger	Denmark
AMERICAS	Kenya	Belgium
Dominican Republic	Niger	Greece
Mexico	Zambia	Finland
Uruguay	Burundi	Bulgaria
Perú	Ethiopia	Austria
Chile	South Africa	Portugal
Trinidad & Tobago	Nigeria	Iceland
Jamaica	Gambia	Denmark
Bahamas	São Tomé and Príncipe	Hungary
Saint Lucia	Angola	
	Liberia	
	Mauritania	



68% of ANSPs indicated that they **do not have** a formal Peer Support Program for ATCOs with no immediate plans (next two years) to establish a program.

The majority of these ANSPs indicated that they would require assistance in implementing a Peer Support Program for ATCOs.

Over 64% of ANSPs indicated that they would consider participating in future research.



## **2023 ANSP SURVEY**

With limited exception peer support programmes are <u>funded</u> by the ANSP itself (2 by staff bodies).

These programs are mostly internally driven and managed by specialists or the HR.

Formal screening by 8 (of the 19) ANSPs to select peer supporters.

ANSPs make use of ATCOs to volunteer as Peer Supporters.

Regular <u>refresher training</u> provided by 63% via Industry Specialised Psychologists.

53% of the ANSPs peer support programs offer support for their volunteers.

57% of the ANSPs offer peer support for other safety critical or support staff (ATSEPs, ATSOs, RFF).



### **IFATCA Mental Health** & Aviation Safety

**IFATCA GLOBAL** FRAMEWORK FOR **MENTAL WELLBEING OF ATCOs** 

Source: IFATCA Mental

Wellbeing Task Force 2024 v1.1

**Endorsed** facilitators for external courses (MHPs & senior peers)

Regional courses (internal resources) Story telling – safety stories

Regulator engagement/ assistance to MAs

Refresher courses

Destigmatization of mental health

Global voice/ **ATCO** representation in industry

Cultural sensitivity

Peer Support program management

Oversight & referral network

Peer Support criteria & practice

CISM criteria & practice

ATCO knowledge of when to seek support



## Thank you

Questions & ideas welcome