

## **E**karaconnect



# About us.

Kara Connect provides completely tailored mental health and wellbeing solutions, where employees can engage with highly qualified therapists, counsellors, coaches, and experts in over 35 languages, in 60+ speciality areas.



Founded in Iceland by Cognitive Psychologist **Tobba Vigfusdottir** 



The Nordic Mental Health Employee Benefit



Opened Dublin HQ in 2022 to accelerate international expansion across EMEA



Serving clients across multiple sectors including health, legal, energy, tech, FS, retail and more



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Why do we exist?

# There's an accelerating mental health crisis

21% of Adults have a mental health condition (Eurostat 2023)
 46% of GenZ are stressed or anxious most or all of the time (Deloitte)
 18% of UK adults took antidepressants in 2022 (NHS 2023)



### Practitioners are our biggest asset





"Kara Connect has transformed my professional life. It eliminates administrative work and client communication. No more manual forms or tracking bookings. Kara Connect handles everything efficiently and stores all data in one place, simplifying invoicing. As a counseling specialist, Kara Connect makes it easy to support my private clients. Highly recommended!"

#### Maria Gracia Abad Psychologist (testimonial)



I use Kara Connect for encrypted video, notes, payment, invoices, and automated email and text reminders. ... they save me hours of administrative work every week, allowing me to dedicate more time to seeing clients or having downtime. Partnering with Kara Connect also comes with additional benefits, such as participating in their Wellbeing Hubs program. This gives me another channel to support more people at no cost to them, while still receiving full pay for my work. It couldn't get any better.

**Dr. Tim Van Wanrooij** Chartered Counselling Psychologist (<u>testimonial</u>)

### Current solutions are failing



- → Employment Assistance Programme (EAP) usage average is just 1.8% (REBA)
- → Extremely low pricing (€1.00/ employee/ month) creates incentives to delay, deny and limit service
- → Extremely unpopular with practitioners, who are paid just €30/ session)



# What we provide.

### 3000+

practitioners with 60+ specialties in 35+ languages

### Areas covered.

#### **Mental Health**

#### **Relationships & Family**

Anxiety Depression Digital Wellbeing Grief Life Coaching Loneliness Mental Fitness Mindfulness & Relaxation Trauma Stress Emotional Eating Family, Parenting, Marriage, Divorce Special Education Elderly Care Teenagers Life Stages Communication Counselling Community Integration LGTBQ+ (Gender & Diversity) Excessive Phone/Tablet Use Fertility Counselling Baby Loss / Pregnancy Loss

#### Physical

Nutrition Diet Physical Therapy Sleep Substance Use Alcohol Pattern Sports Menopause Mobility Pain Management Speech Therapy Breath Work Fertility

#### Financia Career

Budgeting

Saving

Investing

Pension

Debt

Financial Help

Managing Everyday Activities Career Growth Burnout Productivity Conflict Mediation Work Relationship Workplace Change

Public Speaking Coach



# Strong relationships with Practitioners

#### Kara Connect

- → Deep understanding from years building a practitioner platform
- → Close relationships with in-depth vetting and top class support
- Practitioners selected to deliver high quality and best employer match

### **Practitioners**

- → Empowered to deliver their care as they have been trained
- → Receive a steady supply of new clients
- → Paid "properly"
- → NPS of +65



#### Laura Mongey

Behavioural Coach, Career Coach Burnout, Career Growth, Productivity, Work Relationship, Workplace Change



#### Rakel Rós A. Snæbjörnsdóttir

Sleep Consultant & Behaviorist Sleep, Sleep in Children with ADHD, Autism, Developmental Disabilities



Paddy Hare

Trauma Informed Therapist ADHD, Autism, Tauma, LGBTQ+, Anxiety, Depression, Stress



**Thomas Flower Ellis** 

Psychotherapist Stress, Trauma, Nervous System Regulation



Raffaella Lodigiani

Psychologist Trauma, Depression, Anxiety, Menopause, Emotional Eating



Lisa de Jong

Women's Health Coach Menopause, PMDD Support, ndometriosis Support, Period Pain



#### Self-service access to high quality, specialised support

#### 3000+

Direct and private access to 3000+ of the best practitioners Choice

Employees can choose who to speak to. No "callback"

#### **Huge range**

(60+) of services provided in 35+ languages

### Short waiting times

(< 2 days)

#### Secure

Dedicated, platform for security and confidentiality

**Credits** 

Employer credits to start employee can pay to continue



### Highest standards of clinical responsibility and support





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Regular programme of webinars



24X7 Emergency Support



AI-based therapist matching if required

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### **Putting Employers in Control**



Manage spend and apply caps



High quality aggregated reporting

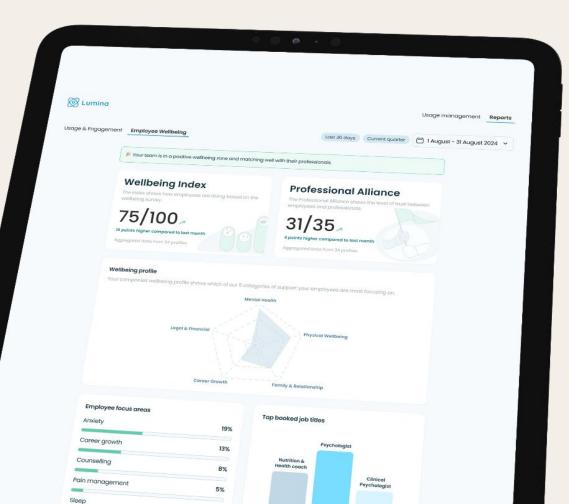


Success manager

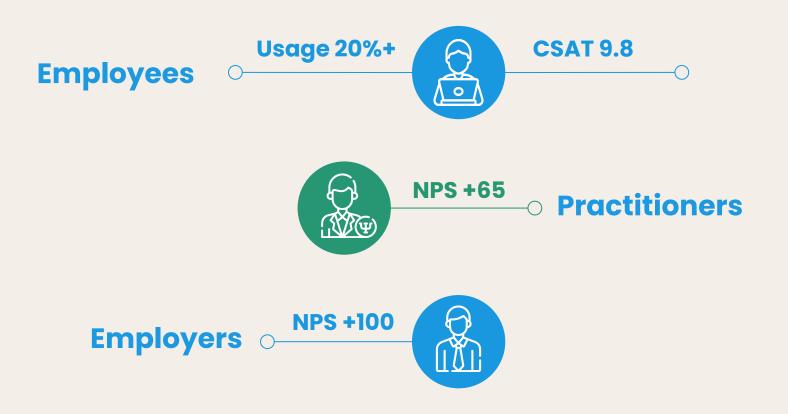




### Wellbeing Score: real-time reporting Dashboard



### **Unprecedented levels of Usage and Satisfaction**



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+	Real usage of <b>20%+</b> and CSAT of <b>9.8</b>
+	Employees have self-service access to book specialist services directly
+	Practitioners are empowered and properly remunerated with an NPS +65
+	60+ specialised services
+	Curated service with practitioners selected in line with employer needs
+	Genuine native language multilingual support
+	Unified offering across geographies
+	Dedicated, secure platform for security and confidentiality
+	Dedicated Customer Success manager
+	Reporting on clinical outcomes using validated measures

### **Traditional EAP**

Real usage of <b>1.8%</b> on average	
Triage call centre before referral to a specialised practitioner	
Unpopular with practitioners who are incentivized to limit service	
Limited range of available support services	
One-size-fits-all solution	
Effectively monolingual	
Highly country-specific	
Uses telephone and desktop tools	
NA	
NA	

### **Exceptional ROI**

**4X – 6X** Typical ROI

### **Significant reduction in**

#### **Attrition + absences**

**28%** of staff absences primarily due to wellbeing factors<sup>1</sup>

#### **Employee Burnout**

**14%** of employees have **every** symptom of burnout<sup>2</sup>

#### Pressure on managers

**30%** of Manager time spent addressing staff **personal** issues<sup>3</sup> **Risk of litigation** Includes claims for work-related stress and employment tribunals



### **Private, Secure, Confidential**

Visit our Trust Centre



Complete confidentiality No data sharing Anonymised insights Aggregated reporting



End-to-end data encryption Highest standards of information security ISO 27001 certified NorDEC certified





# File A Content Hub File A



A comprehensive library of expert-created video and written content. Learn at your own pace and tap into a wealth of knowledge and resources whenever you need them.

### Wellbeing Events: Webinars, Online Events, Bootcamps and more.

We host 2-3 online events quarterly, addressing various Mental and Physical Wellbeing topics for your staff. These free sessions are a benefit of partnering with Kara Connect. Check our upcoming events <u>here.</u>

It's Monday, 23 September, GMT+01:00

### Hi, Luis Arthur Martinez



### Newsletters: Always keeping you up to date with the latest news.

Our goal has always been to **support your wellbeing strategy.** The key to improving your teams' mental and physical health is ensuring they're aware of their employee benefit: "The Wellbeing Hub".

Each month, we'll send you our newsletter, **"Unlock** Your Best Self: The Kara Connect Digest", featuring:

- Top articles from our professional network to support your and your employees' wellbeing
- E-books, cheat sheets, and actionable tips to enhance your wellbeing strategy
- Ready-to-use content for easy sharing with your team—we do the work so you can simply copy, paste, and distribute
- Announcements of our upcoming FREE Wellbeing Events, which you can promote as your own
- And much more...

Unlock Your Best Self: The Kara Connect Digest Sharing Insights on Stress, Free Yoga Session & Professional Alliance Survey



Read time: 5 minutes

Welcome to this month's edition of the "Unlock Your Best Self: The Kara Connect Digest". In this issue, we would like to share an article by our amazing practitioner, Tanya Kuznetsova, talking about stress, it's origins and influence on our body and mind. With the autumn beginning it's a great time to prioritise self care. Download our free e-book about prioritising employees self-care, stress, productivity and wellbeing. Continuing our series of Kara Connect wellbeing events, we invite you to our first ever Online Yoga Session with Annika Herter. Last but not least, we want to share news about Professional Alliance Survey.

Without further ado, let's dive into it!

#### In today's issue:

- Not Letting Stress Get the Best of You: Insights from Tanya Kuznetsova
- Free e-book: How Prioritising Employee Self-Care Improves
   Productivity & Engagement
- Lind Your Inner Calm, FREE Online Yoga Session with Annika
- Product Update: Professional Alliance Survey

### NORDEC Certified: Our Commitment to Security and Confidentiality

Taking inspiration from best practice digital health assurance processes worldwide, the NordDEC sets a standard across four important areas. These include data and privacy, technical security and stability, usability and accessibility, and professional and clinical assurance.

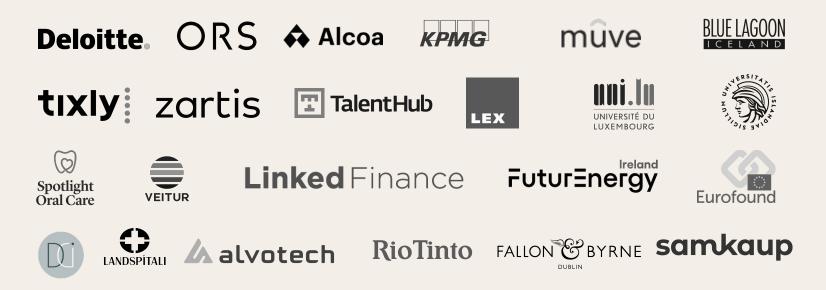
Products that have been evaluated against and meet the criteria are listed in a central directory, enabling health and care providers to identify trusted technologies and for patients to live and act in an open, seamless, and crucially safe, cross-border healthcare ecosystem.

Kara Connect was successfully certified on October 2024 meeting all required criteria.





### is trusted by ...



### **Customer Quotes**

### FuturEnergy

"Our experience with Kara Connect has been **a major success**: the majority of our team have utilised it. The direct booking service is very easy to use"



"Kara Connect is simple, flexible, and robust. We have seen **an improvement in their problem solving skills**, which has reduced the time we spend coaching our people"

### zartis

"Kara Connect has left everyone positively impressed and gives our team reassurance that we care about them and their wellbeing"

"In particular, I'd like to highlight how **satisfied we are** the quality of professionals available"

"We are impressed with Kara Connect's impact on our company. Highly recommend it to companies needing quick access to specialist services."



"**Staff absences have declined by 35%** since we started using Kara Connect"



# Get in touch.



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