



# Mental health recognition for goldminer

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Northern Star Resources' golden run is shining even brighter after picking up an industry gong for its positive approach to workplace mental health.

Australian Resources and Energy Group yesterday revealed it had awarded the goldminer with its Mental Health and Wellbeing Award during its annual celebration of the industry's high achievers.

AMMA said Northern Star's innovative mental health support, reducing stigma and uniting its people through a range of programs had resulted in increased workplace conversations and story-sharing.

"The goldminer's range of initiatives have made a positive impact on its workplaces and employees with the company rising to the challenge of proactively prioritising sustainable long-term outcomes," AMMA said. "Northern Star has normalised mental health through a multi-layered approach led by its flagship Mental Health First Aid Program, which has seen more than 300 employees becoming accredited."

That comes after Northern Star this week shared the prestigious Dealer of the Year award with Saracen Mineral Holdings at the annual Diggers & Dealers Mining Forum for their purchase of Kalgoorlie-Boulder's Super Pit late last year.

Northern Star is poised to propel itself into the ranks of the world's top 10 gold producers after last week announcing a friendly \$16 billion merger with Saracen.

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