



## Wexford CYPSC News and Resources Update

**May 13th 2022**

For information on services and supports for children, young people and families see  
[www.wexfordcypsc.ie](http://www.wexfordcypsc.ie).

For information on supports for parents, see **Wexford Parents Hub** at  
[www.wexfordcypsc.ie/wexford-parents-hub](http://www.wexfordcypsc.ie/wexford-parents-hub) and on Facebook at  
[www.facebook.com/wexfordparentshub/](http://www.facebook.com/wexfordparentshub/).

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## CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE

### ○ Wexford Garda Youth Awards 2022

An Garda Síochána in Wexford in association with Wexford County Council are delighted to launch the 6th Annual Wexford Garda Youth Awards for 2022. An Garda Síochána are delighted to be working so closely with Wexford County Council again in presenting these annual awards that acknowledge the brilliance of our young people in our local communities in County Wexford. The launch of these annual awards is to acknowledge the achievements of young people who are making a difference in their own lives and in their communities within the Wexford Garda Division. These Awards acknowledge the endeavours of young people who have faced and overcome challenges in their lives.

Wexford County Council is delighted to be associated with this event and is privileged to be able to support this worthwhile community initiative. Cllr. Michael Whelan, Chairman of the Joint Policing Committee said “*The Garda Youth awards is a very good initiative, it shows young people in a good light and I would encourage more groups and individuals to put forward more candidates for the awards . The Awards are an important opportunity for Wexford County Council and An Garda Síochána to celebrate our exceptional young people and the contribution they make in their communities*”.

This year, it is important to remember that due to Covid, there hasn't been the same opportunity for young people to become involved with activities or projects compared to previous years. However, we have also witnessed that many young people were active on the ground throughout the Covid 19 crisis, volunteering and becoming involved in a variety of projects that supported both the vulnerable in the community, and the frontline services.

In launching this year's Awards, Inspector Graham Rowley of Wexford Garda Station, remarked “*Once again, I am delighted to launch the Wexford Garda Youth Awards for 2022. Following national representation and success in last year's awards, it is clear that there is an abundance of amazing young people , making regular, positive contributions to our community. I would encourage you to take this opportunity to nominate suitable young people, for consideration and recognition in their respective field. This past year have presented unprecedented challenges for our community, we wish to recognise the sacrifices made by young people, as they contribute to their community, both at a local level, and also in wider areas. An Garda Síochána would like to acknowledge Wexford County Council for their continued sponsorship of the Youth Awards, along with South East Radio (Mr Alan Corcoran , Morning Mix) and Wexford People Newspapers for their support*”.

As heretofore, awards will be presented in four categories:

- **Individual Award** - Making a positive contribution to their community, making it a better place to live.
- **Group Award** - Group of two or more, making a positive contribution to their community, making it a better place to live.
- **Special Achievement Award** - Overcome difficult circumstances, defied all the odds and whose commitment deserves recognition.
- **Community Safety Award** - Through a crime prevention or safety initiative/innovation, have made their community a safer place to live.

Anyone can nominate a young person between the age of 13 and 21 years for an award. This year, due to Covid 19, nominations will be completed through an online process, this is available through the following link:

<https://www.wexfordcoco.ie/community/supports-grants-and-awards/garda-youth-awards>

Details of this process will be distributed to schools, youth groups and voluntary organisations right across Wexford in the coming days and will also be available upon request from your local Garda Station, the closing date for nominations will be **Monday the 10<sup>th</sup> of June 2022**. A Judging Panel will decide upon the Divisional Winners, the Judging Panel will also nominate an individual/ group to represent Wexford for consideration at the National Garda Youth Awards. It is anticipated that the awards ceremony will take place towards in September 2022. The Awards will be organised in adherence with all Government Covid 19 guidelines.

**Further Details :** If anyone requires further information they can contact Inspector Graham Rowley at [wexford\\_ds@garda.ie](mailto:wexford_ds@garda.ie), 053 9165280 or through their local Garda Station.



○ Exam Support Group

FDYS x Abbeywell Counselling  
and Psychotherapy

# EXAM Support Group

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OPEN TO 3RD + 6TH YEARS

COURTOWN  
TUESDAY'S  
4.30-6PM

GOREY  
FRIDAY'S  
4.30-6PM

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## ○ Young Social Innovators



Young Social Innovators (YSI) is a non-profit organisation that empowers young people to use their talents, insights, passion and creativity to come up with innovative solutions to social challenges. Through fun and engaging programmes, students are supported to create team-based action-projects on issues they care about, putting their innovative ideas into action to bring about positive social change for the benefit of people, communities and the environment.

Young Social Innovators is for all young people aged between 13-18 years old in post primary schools and further education settings throughout Ireland.

**To access information on the Junior Programme, click [here](#)**

**To access information on the Senior Programme, click [here](#)**

**To learn more about Young Social Innovators, access their website [here](#).**

## UKRAINE SUPPORTS

### ○ National Parents Council Helpline for People Displaced from Ukraine Launched



The National Parents Council have launched a Ukrainian helpline to support children & families in education in Ireland. They have a new helpline officer who speaks English, Ukrainian & Russian. Please feel free to circulate the flyers attached, they are in English, Russian, and Ukrainian.

To access the flier in Ukrainian, click [here](#).

Russian, click [here](#)

English, click [here](#)

Kind regards,

Early Years Comms

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## WEBINARS & TRAINING

### Webinar: Supporting Parents - Wednesday 18 May @ 12 noon



You are invited to a webinar on *Supporting Parents: A National Model of Parenting Support Services* !

*Supporting Parents* takes a whole-of-Government approach to improving supports for parenting, and was developed by a collaborative working group of practitioners, public servants, and parents themselves. The experiences, views and preferences of parents, children and young people were captured through research, online consultation and direct engagement.

Our vision is for all parents to be confident and capable in their parenting role, helping to achieve the best outcomes for children and families.

During the webinar, you will hear from the Minister, who addressed the attendees at our recent launch event on 27 April 2022.

You will also hear about:

- Research and development that influenced the development of Supporting Parents, and future plans for more learning.
- A full overview of the Supporting Parents model, and how it may influence you in your own role.
- The next steps for implementation of Supporting Parents.

Whether you work in a Government Department, a state agency, or a community and voluntary organisation, we would love to see you at the event.

Please register to confirm your attendance by clicking [here](#) or inputting the address below:

<https://irlgov.webex.com/irlgov/j.php?RGID=r6e26b96345d19be1918bc23c92e2f6c2>

We look forward to welcoming you to our event!

With best wishes and kind regards,

**The Parenting Support Policy Team**



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[www.gov.ie/supportingparents](http://www.gov.ie/supportingparents)

○ **Tackling gender-based violence – what have we learned from implementing good practice on the ground?**



**Implementation Network**  
of  
*Ireland and Northern Ireland*

We are delighted to host our first 2022 in-person Implementation Networking Event in the **Great Hall of Queen's University Belfast on 14th June 2022, 10:30am - 2:00pm.**

Register here to meet up with faces old and new and hear from our guest speakers on the topic of: 'Tackling gender-based violence – what have we learned from implementing good practice on the ground?'

Guest speakers:

- Niamh Oddy, Student Officer, Equality & Diversity at QUBSU
- Anthony McNally, Detective Chief Superintendent, PSNI Public Protection Unit
- Sarah Mason, CEO, Women's Aid Federation NI
- Seán Cooke, CEO, Men's Development Network Ireland

**For more information / to register, click [here](#).**

**To sign up for free membership, please [click here](#).**

## FUNDING

- Minister O'Gorman announces **What Works 'Sharing Knowledge' Fund**



Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth, Roderic O'Gorman, is pleased to announce a €200,000 'Sharing Knowledge' Fund, which will be rolled out as part of the *What Works* initiative and funded through Dormant Accounts Funding.

The 'Sharing Knowledge' Fund builds on the 2021 *What Works* 'Learning Together' Fund to support learning, share knowledge, open peer discussions and develop strong professional relationships. The aim of the Fund is to support professionals working in children, youth, and family services with their learning requirements, peer interaction, project collaborations and knowledge dissemination. Projects to be considered will focus on organising or accessing relevant learning/training sessions, while putting a strong emphasis on future collaborations between peers and disseminating learning to larger audiences, including networks. All applications must have a focus on prevention and early intervention.

The fund is open to practitioners and service providers working in not-for-profit organisations, multi-disciplinary networks, Children and Young People's Services Committees, Child and Family Support Networks and communities of practice working with children, young people and their families and who have a strong emphasis on prevention and early intervention.

Organisations can apply for a minimum grant of €5,000 and a maximum grant of €20,000. The closing date for applications is **27<sup>th</sup> May, 2022**.

**More information on the scheme is available on the [What Works website](#).**

**Note :** All funding awarded under the Sharing Knowledge funding scheme must be expended by **31 December 2022**.