

Wexford CYPSC News and Resources Update

July 29th 2021

For information on services and supports for children, young people and families see www.wexfordcypsc.ie.

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

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TRAINING / WEBINARS

→ "The Decider" Training: 28th & 29th September via Zoom



The" Young People & Mental Health Sub Group" of Wexford CYPSC has secured funding from the Healthy Ireland Fund to run a 2 day training course on the "Decider Programme" on September 28th and 29th 2021. Training will take place via Zoom.

The training will be delivered by Anú Community Healthcare Ireland who are authorised trainers for "The Decider" in Ireland. Please see attached information on the training course and note that this training is suitable for those working with children / young people aged 8 years +. The aim is to increase your skills set to work with vulnerable children / young people and to teach them enhanced coping strategies. Please see attached information.

Please submit your Application Forms to Karen McCann at Karen.mccann@gyng.ie by Friday July 30th. Please write "Decider 2 Day Training" in the subject line.

For Further Information;

Please see attached information on "The Decider" and also see www.anucommunityhealth.com.





The Healthy Ireland Fund supported by the Department of Health and the Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth.

→ Camara / TechSpace Training







Over August and September, we are offering training and support to staff and volunteers in youth settings. There is a link to a Google form below for people to express an interest and sign up. I'm hoping that you can pass on this info to groups in your area that may wish to take part in the project.

For staff and volunteers that haven't participated in Camara Ireland/TechSpace training before, there is a choice of training on offer:

- 1. STEAM This will be based on basic circuits, electronics and hands-on making.
- 2. **Computer Science** Involves coding, using BBC Microbits and introduction to coding resources online
- 3. **Digital Media** the basics of Video & Audio production, particular emphasis on using Smartphones

If groups have done training on a particular area before, there may be interest in training in another area. There are transferable skills between them all too so some of the STEAM training will help understanding of Computer Science and vice versa. For each of those training courses there will be equipment supports of a starter kit with some essentials to get their groups up and running. All sessions will run in 2 x 2hr workshops with a week in between each one and a small piece of 'homework' to do during that week.

For groups that have already done Camara Ireland/TechSpace training in the past, we are offering equipment support and a 3 weeks of one-hour support sessions to help them prepare groups for this year's Creative Tech Fest which will be in October. Groups can apply for 4 different types of kits.

All info is in the form anyway and hopefully they should have no problems completing it. The link for the form is below:

https://forms.gle/26NxEhoGcXJCNTrP9

If you could share the form link with groups in your area that might be interested, we'll get back in touch with them directly to arrange a time and session that will suit them. I know you may have already shared this link with groups in your area but just in case, here it is again. If you need any further info please get in touch, you can get me at this email or on 086 1535787.

Many thanks,

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EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST / FUNDING

→ Expressions of Interest for the Selection of Community Organisations for "We Can Quit" and "Healthy Food Made Easy" (Wexford)

<u>Sent on behalf of Ms. Derval Howley(HSE), Head of Service Health & Wellbeing, South East Community Healthcare.</u>

To whom it may concern,

As part of the Sláintecare Healthy Communities Programme, Health & Wellbeing in South East Community Healthcare are inviting Expressions of Interest(EOI) from organisations with a track record of working with communities to deliver programmes to improve their physical and emotional health and wellbeing to co-ordinate and delivery two community based programmes:

- Community-led Stop Smoking Support Programme We Can Quit
- Community Cooking Programme Healthy Food Made Easy

Successful organisations will be contracted by HSE via Section 39 Grant Agreement (Health Act 2004) to deliver a specified level of service as part of the Sláintecare Healthy Communities Programme. Previous experience in delivering one or other of the programmes will be an advantage but is not essential.

If your organisation is interested in being involved in this programme of work please complete the attached Expression of Interest application and return to leesa.agar@hse.ie by Monday 30th August 2021.

For gueries in relation to this EOI please link in with the contact for your county below:

Wexford- Ms. Nuala Harpur, Senior Health Promotion Officer 0877981867 nuala.harpur@hse.ie

Kind Regards,
Derval Howley
Head of Service Health & Wellbeing, SECH

→ Meet and Code is back in Ireland for 2021, and charities can apply for a grant to host a virtual coding event for young people during September or October.



We fund digital and coding events of all kinds — from IT workshops to robotics courses and events with trendsetting subjects like Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Internet of Things (IoT).

Last year an Irish event, Balally Family Resource Centre's **Mission Zero**, was even shortlisted in the Europe-wide Meet & Code Awards! So we're doubly excited to learn about your ideas for this year.

Who can enter?

The Meet and Code fund is open to registered charities located in the Republic of Ireland.

The planned events must take place between 1 September and 31 October 2021, must be free to attend, and must reach at least 20 young people aged between 8 and 24.

How to enter?

Entering is very easy — just visit www.meet-and-code.org/ie/ie and follow these five steps:

- Register your organisation on the Meet and Code website and wait for verification.
 If you have registered before, please log in as your approval will still be valid this
 year.
- 2. Submit your event plan on the Meet and Code website.
- 3. Wait for your application to be reviewed.
- 4. Successful submissions receive a grant of up to €500.
- 5. Host your event!

After your event has taken place, you're also eligible to participate in the **Meet and Code Awards**.

Submissions are now open via the Meet and Code website and will close on 8 September 2021.

Grant numbers are limited, and events are funded on a first-come-first-served basis, so apply early!

Meet & Code is managed in Ireland by The Wheel, Ireland's national assocation of charities, community and voluntary groups, and social enterprises.

→ Grants Available for Training Networks



The Wheel is delighted to launch Training Links 2021 – 2023. Training Links funds community and voluntary organisations to form Training Networks — groups of organisations who come together to undertake training that they may not have the opportunity to do individually. Training Networks must have a **minimum of ten** members, and over the course of the programme, members will work together to address a specific workforce training goal. Members of your Training Network can be from the same region, sub-sector or community of interest, for example.

Since 2005, the Training Links programme has funded **90 Training Networks** involving in excess of **40,000 trainees** and **850 community and voluntary organisations** to meet their training needs.

Application process

Applications are open from 21 June 2021 – 13 August 2021. Applications are welcome from Training Networks across a range of areas. There is a total fund of €315,000.00 available for this call and applications are welcome from **new**, **existing**, **previously funded networks or previously unsuccessful networks.**It is expected that successful applicants will be operational from October 2021 – March 2023.

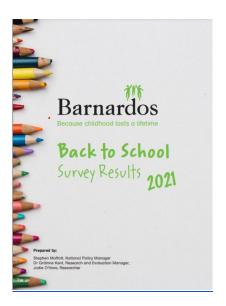
Download application form from the website.

Find out more

For full information on the Training Links 2021-2023 programme objectives and priority areas, visit https://www.wheel.ie/training-links-programme-2021-2023 or email Lauren Carroll on traininglinks2021@wheel.ie.

CONSULTATIONS

→ Barnardos Return to School Survey Results 2021



A total of 1,473 parents and 121 children and young people participated in Barnardos' annual Back to School Survey, which took place during June and July 2021.

The survey responses showed that while children are largely looking forward to returning to school in September, the majority of parents still have concerns about their children's development, in particular educational, emotional and social. In addition, the survey results highlight the level of adversity families faced over the past twelve months, including increased mental health issues, financial concerns, isolation and lack of social support.

The results are now live on the Barnardos website;

Snapshot of the findings;

- 41% of children feel happy about returning to school, 17% are excited, 14% are worried, 8% are sad and the remaining 20% don't care.
- 74% of parents believe their children are ready to move into the next year of school.
 Despite this, over 60% of primary school parents and almost 70% of secondary school parents said they were concerned about the educational development of their child.
- 23% of parents of primary school children and 9% of secondary school children said their children spent less than an hour a day learning last year.

The full list of results can be found on: <u>Barnardos.ie/backtoschool</u>

COVID 19

→ Translated resources are available from HSE in 36 different languages to help prevent outbreaks of COVID-19





Translated resources are available in 36 different languages to help prevent outbreaks of COVID-19 in non-English speaking populations and workforces in Ireland

The HSE has 36 multi-lingual video messages on the COVID 19 vaccine and ways to avoid the spread of COVID -19. These translated resources developed by Translate Ireland with the support of the National Social Inclusion Office and National Immunisation Office are available from the HSE in various languages. The videos are designed to reach those who may have missed mainstream information campaigns or who do not consume local media.

Multi-lingual resources are an essential part of engaging with migrant individuals and communities regarding the COVID 19 vaccine.

Click Here to access 36 multi-lingual video messages.

Further videos to support workplaces with non-English speaking employees were developed by South East Community Care as part of an interagency group including An Garda Siochana, the Health and Safety Authority, Meat Industry Ireland (MII), Dept. of Social Protection, Citizens Information Board and Local Authorities.

- Watch basic healthcare resources, pointers to the "basics" of COVID-19 prevention, a reiteration of advice on self-isolating and information on vaccines.
- Watch a former processing plant employee and now professional athlete Sergiu Ciobanu draw attention to key Dept. of Social Protection supports that are available to those who can't or shouldn't be attending at their workplaces.
- Imagery aids and advice for people to take personal responsibility to avoid situations that are a risk to themselves, their family, their work colleagues and their friends.

→ Covid-19 Partner Pack Update

Dear Colleagues,

We hope this message finds you well.

Thank you for your continuing support in helping to share information about COVID-19. Below are some communications updates for you. This week, we would particularly appreciate your help in sharing our communications updates on vaccination for people aged 18-24.

Please note that our next scheduled partner pack update will be sent out during the week of August 9th.

Public Health Measures

You can find information here about the public health measures in place.

COVID-19 Vaccination Programme

More than 5.34 million vaccines have been administered in Ireland so far and 66% of adults are fully vaccinated. Over 80% of adults have received at least one dose. We are grateful to all of our colleagues and partners, and to the public, for taking part and making this happen.

For updates and information on the vaccination programme please visit www.hse.ie/rollout.

Vaccine registration opens for people aged 18-24

Online registration for everyone aged 18-24 is now open. People in this age group can register now and will be offered a vaccine appointment at a HSE vaccination centre within 3 weeks of registering.

Vaccine options for people in this age group:

People aged 18-24 may have a choice between 2 types of vaccine, both types will protect from severe illness from COVID-19.

- the <u>Pfizer/BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine</u> or <u>Moderna COVID-19 vaccine</u>. These mRNA vaccines are the recommended and preferred option for people under the age of 50. People aged 18-24 will be offered an appointment for one of these vaccines within 3 weeks of registering online.
- the <u>Janssen COVID-19 vaccine</u> or <u>AstraZeneca COVID-19 vaccine</u>. These viral vector vaccines have been associated with a rare side effect of unusual blood clots, which is more common in people under 50.

When registering online, people can indicate that they are happy to opt for a viral vector vaccine. This may mean they can be vaccinated sooner, all depending on vaccine supplies. The appointment text will let people know which vaccine is being offered.

People aged 18-34 can also choose to get a Janssen vaccine at a participating pharmacy, depending on supplies. If people in this age group are already registered with a pharmacy for a Janssen vaccine, they can now register on HSE.ie for an mRNA vaccine.

Read information to help you decide which vaccine is best for you.

Watch HSE Chief Clinical Officer, Dr Colm Henry speak to people aged 18 to 34 years about their COVID-19 vaccine choices.

Registration for people aged 25 to 69

People aged 25 to 69 who have not already registered for their vaccine can still register online.

Register online to get a COVID-19 vaccine

Read the user guide for help with registering online.

If you cannot register online, you can <u>call the COVID-19 helpline</u> at Freephone: 1800 700 700 to register by phone.

Vaccine resources in other languages

You can find extensive resources about COVID-19 Vaccines and the COVID-19 virus, in up to 36 other languages, here. Languages include Albanian, Arabic, Farsi, Latvian, Romanian, Somali, Tamil and Yoruba.

Please help support COVID vaccines #ForUsAll by adding a #Twibbon to your social media

Why get the COVID-19 vaccine? Get it for yourself, your family, your friends and #ForUsAll You can now download a Twibbon to use on your social media profile to show your support for COVID-19 vaccines. There are two Twibbons to choose from:

https://twibbon.com/support/covid-vaccines-forusall-a

https://twibbon.com/support/covid-vaccines-forusall-b/twitter

After you have been fully vaccinated against COVID-19, you are vaccine protected

When your vaccine has had time to work, you can do some things that were not recommended before you were vaccinated. You can <u>find more information here</u>.

EU Digital COVID Certificate

If you have queries in relation to this certificate or international travel in general, you can:

- visit the government website
- get travel advice to help you make an informed decision
- access travel advice and information on measures in place across the EU

The emergency helpline number for the Digital COVID Certificate is: 1800 851 504

Where to find COVID-19 Vaccination Information

We encourage everyone to read about the COVID-19 vaccine and to get their information from a factual, trusted source – here are the links to the pages with information on the vaccine:

- · Check https://www2.hse.ie/screening-and-vaccinations/covid-19-vaccine/ for information about the vaccine, information on this page is updated regularly
- Find the vaccine information materials at https://www.hse.ie/eng/services/covid-19-resources-and-translations/covid-19-vaccine-materials/
 - Details on getting the COVID-19 vaccine is updated regularly <u>here</u>
 - Details on COVID-19 vaccines administered are available <u>here</u>
 - · Read the <u>full COVID-19 Vaccine Allocation Strategy</u>
 - Read the National Immunisation Advisory Committee Chapter about COVID-19 vaccine
 - COVID-19 vaccine information for health professionals

COVID-19 Testing - Online Booking System

We have a COVID-19 test online booking system for testing centres. To book a test, log on to our system here. You can also show up without an appointment, but you may not have to wait as long if you book online.

Full details of how to get tested are available here.

Mobile Service available in Cork / Kerry providing services relating to sexual health, drugs and alcohol

A new mobile health service will travel to all parts of Cork and Kerry in order to make support, information and interventions around sexual health and drug and alcohol services available to all. The 'DASH' (Drugs, Alcohol and Sexual Health) mobile unit is the first of its kind in Ireland, providing community-wide mobile services such as rapid HIV testing, condom provision, drug and alcohol assessments and support from trained health promotion professionals.

You can read more here.

Public Health Information

As always, for the most up to date information and advice on Coronavirus, please go to: https://www.hpsc.ie/en/campaigns/c36c85-covid-19-coronavirus/ and https://www.hpsc.ie/a-z/respiratory/coronavirus/novelcoronavirus/. Clinical and professional guidance relating to COVID-19 is available on https://www.hpsc.ie/ where you'll find up to date guidance for healthcare settings and non-clinical settings.

Please check <u>here</u> for the most up to date partner resources for COVID-19.

You can find the <u>COVID-19 A-Z information here</u> from the HSE's Health Protection Surveillance Centre (HPSC).

Please also check the Healthy Ireland site <u>here</u> with further resources and information on the Keep Well campaign.

You can view the latest information on how Ireland is responding to cases of COVID-19 here.

Ireland's COVID-19 Data Hub is available here.

Many thanks and best wishes,

