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## **NSPCC**

community-safety-partnership

The National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children (NSPCC) is the UK's leading charity specialising in child protection and the prevention of cruelty to children. Over 135 years old.

The NSPCC aims to end cruelty to children by seeking to influence legislation, policy, practice, attitudes and behaviours for the benefit of children and young people. This is achieved through a combination of service provision, lobbying, campaigning and public education.

Our services include the NSPCC Helpline, for adults worried about a child, and ChildLine, the UK's free, confidential helpline for children and young people as well as Childrens Services and a range of other services.



The Western Digital Safeguarding Steering Group is made up of voluntary and statutory agencies in the Western Trust area of Northern Ireland. We are committed to delivering evidence-informed training and resources to make the Internet a safer place for all. We support the vision of the 5 Rights Foundation which believes children and young people should be supported to access digital technologies creatively, knowledgeably and fearlessly. For more information visit

#### www.westerntrust.hscni.net/livewell/StayingSafeOnline.htm

'The Western Health and Social Care Trust provides health and social care services across the Council areas of Strabane and Derry City, Fermanagh and Omagh District and a portion of the Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council area. The Western Trust employs approximately 12,500 staff and spends £588 million annually in the delivery of health and social care services. Our aim is: "to provide high quality patient and client -focused Health and Social Care services through well trained staff with high morale". The Trust provides services across 4,842 sq. km of landmass and delivers services from a number of hospitals, community based settings and in some cases directly in individuals' homes'



The Northern Trust provides a comprehensive range of health and social care services to a population of almost 436,000 people across a geographical area of 1,733 square miles spanning four new council areas (Antrim and Newtownabbey District, Causeway Coast and Glens District, Mid and East Antrim District and Mid Ulster District). The Trust delivers services from over 150 facilities including two major general hospital sites, a mental health hospital, local community hospitals, health centres, social services, and a significant network of community services as well as provision of care in the home. This includes care to people who live on Rathlin, the only inhabited island in Northern Ireland. The Trust works in partnership with a range of other statutory, voluntary and community partners to provide the best health and social care to the population it serves.

www.northerntrust.hscni.net/



EA is responsible for ensuring that efficient and effective primary and secondary education services are available to meet the needs of children and young people, and support for the provision of efficient and effective youth services.

EA Chairperson,

"We are proud of the immense digital talent which is being developed in our schools, and we strive to help pupils, young people and staff by providing information, advice and educational resources about online safety, raising awareness of changing trends, encouraging creativity, highlighting digital resilience and managing school system security."

"We remain committed to supporting our schools to be innovative and most importantly, promote the safe use of digital technology."



For the Police Service of Northern Ireland, keeping people safe is what we do; Policing with the Community is how we do it. Policing with the Community is about understanding and responding to the human impact of policing. It is about creating real participation between the police and the community - a partnership in which policing reflects and responds to the community's needs and in which the community plays an active part in delivering a solution.

The internet is a great way to learn, explore and connect with each other. The digital age has developed at a rapid pace and presented wonderful opportunities for individuals, communities and businesses. However, it has also presented criminals with opportunities to exploit vulnerabilities and it is vital that all of us are aware of the risks in order to keep each other safe.





# consult and engage... Policing & Community Safety Partnership

making Causeway Coast & Glens safer

#### What are PCSPs?

Policing and Community Safety Partnerships (PCSPs) aim to make our community safer.

They are statutory bodies established under the Justice Act (Northern Ireland) 2011.

There are 11 partnerships, one for each council area.

Each PCSP has a Policing Committee to take forward specific police monitoring and engagement functions, with the wider PCSP taking forward community safety related functions.

#### What we do?

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#### Contact us

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Email: pcsp@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk

Coleraine: Cloonavin, 66 Portstewart Road, BT52 1EY
Tel: 028 7034 7031

**Ballymoney:** Riada House, 14 Charles Street, BT53 6DZ **Tel: 028 2766 0254** 

Ballycastle: Sheskburn House, 7 Mary Street, BT54 6QH

Tel: 028 2076 2225

#### **Policing Committee**

Causeway Coast and Glens Policing Committee works with local police to develop the local policing plan.

The Policing Committee monitor PSNI Our other members are:

The role of the Policing Committee is to carry out the following specific functions:

- to provide views to a relevant police commander and to the Policing Board on any matter concerning the policing of the district;
- to monitor performance of the police in carrying out the policing plan in the district, and;
- to make arrangements for obtaining the cooperation of the public with the police in preventing crime and enhancing community safety in the district.

#### Community Safety

Causeway Coast and Glens PCSP works with the community to identify issues of concern in the local area, and potential solutions, and delivers a plan to address these concerns. The focus of the plan is on delivering practical solutions.

We also work in partnership with those organisations that have a contribution to make to enhancing community safety in our area.

#### **Getting involved**

Community involvement is vitally important if we are to really deliver a safer society for everyone. Causeway Coast and Glens PCSP would be keen to hear your views.

We consult, on an ongoing basis, with those living and working in the Borough, to find out your views on:

- crime
- anti-social behaviour
- local policing

Our partnership plan is available to view at: www.causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk







# **NSPCC**

Parents have been talking to their children for generations about keeping safe in their communities, but when it comes to online safety discussions we know they aren't as confident. Our NSPCC research has shown that for one fifth of parents, their biggest worry about what their kids are doing online is that they won't talk to them if they see something that worries and upsets them, yet only one in four parents surveyed have regular conversations with their children about it.

It can be difficult as a parent to know where to start with online safety. Our children are growing up 'digital natives', often knowing more about the online world they are engaging in than we do. At the NSPCC, we are trying to make things as easy as possible, using basic languages and principles, so parents can start these conversations early and continue them as their children grow and evolve in their knowledge online.

Children now view online life the same as 'real' life – so take an interest in what they are doing and why they are enjoying it. Explore what your child is doing online together, and talk to them about examples of inappropriate content online, for example, violent or sexual content, or anything which promotes risky behaviours. The key is to keep the conversations short, frequent and informal. Doing this will mean that it is much more likely your children will come to you if they see something they shouldn't.

Agreeing to family rules and boundaries together can ensure your children feel part of the process. Talk to them about what sites they think are appropriate for their age and go from there. Also, be prepared for them to mention sites that they have heard of or their friends are on that you don't believe are appropriate for their age. Be open with them so you can agree why, as their parent, you are making that choice for your family. The

NSPCC's Net Aware online tool can also help you keep up to date with the latest apps and games, and the O2 and NSPCC's Parents vs Kids quiz can be a fun way to test your online knowledge together. This, along with managing the technology your family use with parental controls will mean that your you can lower the online risks and ensure your children are seeing age-appropriate content online.

It's also important to keep an eye on their online behaviour; if they become withdrawn, upset or are reluctant to talk about what they are doing or who they are talking to, use that as an opportunity to have an additional chat. Reassure them that you won't be angry about what they tell you, but that it is very important to keep them safe and happy online. Most importantly, keep coming back to your TEAM talks and family rules as the months and years go on. As you learn more about online safety, share your knowledge with your kids and other adults in the family. These conversations don't need to be a one off, and keeping them going will ensure your children feel comfortable with talking to you about their online world, hopefully keeping them safe for years to come.

Net Aware is available at nspcc.org.uk/ netaware. Parents can access free online safety advice at 02 shops across Northern Ireland, from a specially trained advisor known as a 02 Guru. During the pre-booked session, the NSPCC-trained 02 Guru can explain how to set up parental controls on phones, tablets and PCs as well as how to make devices safer for a child to use. Appointments for O2 Gurus can be booked in advance on guru.force.com/ O2DeskStoreLocator. For more guidance from NSPCC on online safety visit www.nspcc. org.uk/onlinesafety and for advice and support for children visit www.childline.org. uk/info-advice/bullying-abuse-safety/ online-mobile-safety/





# Tips to Stay Safe Online:

# childline

ONLINE, ON THE PHONE, ANYTIME

## You have the right to stay safe!

#### Tell a safe adult or Childline if:

- someone is mean to you online
- someone sends you a message that makes you feel uncomfortable
- you see something online that upsets you



## **Online friends belong online!**

Never meet up with anybody you've met online. People aren't always who they say they are.



Create passwords that are hard for other people to guess - try using number or symbols like &, \*, !. Don't share your passwords with anyone.



## Think before you post!

Anything you post online or any messages you send can be shared with other people. They may also stay online forever. Think before you post – is this something you're happy for everyone to know?



# Keep personal details private!

Never share anything online that means someone can find out who you are in the real world.

#### This means don't share:

- your full name
- your address
- the name of the school you go to
- your phone number
- your location so where you are or places you are going to
- photos and videos that contain personal details, like:
  - the street where you live
  - your school, or your school uniform, or your school badge

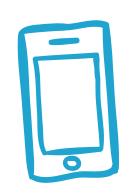
Ask a safe adult to help you make your online accounts as private as possible, so only your friends can see what you share. They can also check your settings to make sure that the website or app you're using isn't recording your location or sharing that with anyone else.

Remember: If you are at all worried about anything that's happened you can always talk to a safe adult or to Childline. You never have to go through anything alone.

Call Childline free on 0800 1111 www.childline.org.uk/kids















www.mindingyourhead.info



# **Digital Wellbeing & Safeguarding**SUPPORT PACK

Most of us know when we are mentally and physically well, but sometimes we need a little extra support to keep well.



There are five simple steps to help maintain and improve your wellbeing. Try to build these into your daily life – think of them as your 'five a day' for wellbeing.



#### Connect

Connect with the people around you: family, friends, colleagues and neighbours at home, work, school or in your local community. Think of these relationships as the cornerstones of your life and spend time developing them. Building these connections will support and enrich you every day.



#### Be active

Go for a walk or run, cycle, play a game, garden or dance. Exercising makes you feel good. Most importantly, discover a physical activity that you enjoy; one that suits your level of mobility and fitness.



#### Take notice

Stop, pause, or take a moment to look around you. What can you see, feel, smell or even taste? Look for beautiful, new, unusual or extraordinary things in your everyday life and think about how that makes you feel.



#### **Keep learning**

Don't be afraid to try something new, rediscover an old hobby or sign up for a course. Take on a different responsibility, fix a bike, learn to play an instrument or how to cook your favourite food. Set a challenge you will enjoy. Learning new things will make you more confident, as well as being fun to do.



#### **Give**

Do something nice for a friend or stranger, thank someone, smile, volunteer your time or consider joining a community group. Look out as well as in. Seeing yourself and your happiness linked to the wider community can be incredibly rewarding and will create connections with the people around you.

Adapted from work by the New Economics Foundation commissioned by the Foresight Project on Mental Capital and Wellbeing (www.neweconomics.org).

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Public Health Agency, 12-22 Linenhall Street, Belfast BT2 8BS. Tel: 0300 555 0114 (local rate).













#### What is 'Sharenting'?

Sharenting is when parents share information or photos about their children online e.g. Facebook, Instagram, Blogging etc. Parents have always enjoyed sharing photos and stories about their children, but the online audience can be huge and include people who aren't really 'friends'. Information can also stay online for a very long time.

INEQE found that the average 38 year-old Facebook user has 338 'friends' and could have 114,000 people looking at their stuff if their settings are 'friends of friends'! Do you know who can see your children's photos?

Do check your privacy settings and ensure you carefully choose who sees your precious memories. Think about what and how you share and sometimes exercise restraint about what you share.

Do think about the future. Do you want your child, their future employer, partner or school mates to see that photo or read that post?

Do consider whether you would like that information, photo or video to be shared about you. If the roles were reversed, would that be ok?

**Do** encourage a culture of mutual respect or 'Netiquette' about online behaviour and sharing. This teaches your children good lessons about respect and kindness! Do take particular care when sharing about children who are ill, in hospital or disabled. They are children first, not just 'patients' or 'disabled'. They have the right to privacy and to choose who knows about their health or medical

condition. If you are trying to raise funds or awareness, consider using Avatars or sharing anonymously.

**Do** remember children learn from you about what's okay to share online. If they see that anything goes, that won't help with their own boundaries about sharing as they grow up.

Do discuss and agree online family privacy rules the same way you talk about other privacy rules such as bathroom or bedroom privacy or helping with getting dressed. It's important to talk about what is or is not

acceptable to share online. NSPCC have Family Online Agreements you can use.

Do take care with what you post online and remember that your child may one day see what you have written or shared about them. This is kind of like virtual 'eavesdropping' and if you are expressing frustration about being a parent (and yes it can be tough!) just think about how that might be interpreted by your child or other people.

Do encourage a culture of consent. If you expect people to ask for your permission to be in their photos, do the same with your own children. Give your children the right to say no, the same way you can distance or 'untag' yourself from other people's photos. Even very small children should be taught about consent and that they have choices about what happens to them.

www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/share-aware/

**Don't** share anything that could place your child at risk such as their location, school uniform, date of birth, etc. Although these risks are probably low, information can be easily 'stolen' by strangers or predators online. Even innocent and cute photos have been found on paedophile sharing sites.

**Don't** share anything embarrassing or private such as sitting on the potty or toilet or being naked/semi-naked regardless of age!

**Don't** share photos or videos of your children in any state of distress e.g. tantrums, being upset or afraid or anything that could breach trust between you and your child e.g. private information that only parents would know.

Don't use social media as a way to discipline or shame your child when you have run out of ideas or are frustrated. Taking 'selfies' of their messy bedroom or encouraging your friends to support you by commenting or liking your posts may cause more problems than it solves and may affect trust.

Parenting NI have support online parentingni.org or 080 8801 0722

#### Why do people 'sharent' and what's good about it? What are the risks?

To connect with others such as friends & family to share children's achievements, celebrations or milestones. Parents also sharent to get support when feeling isolated or needing help at any time of the day or night! It's convenient, instant and free\* and connects lots of people all at the same time and can be a great way to keep memories digitally. There are also loads of different communities online that can help parents immediately, without leaving your house! Technology can be fantastic!

Social Media is only free\* in money terms. We 'pay' with our information which creates digital 'footprints'. This information is used by companies or data brokers and one day might affect your child in ways not yet known or understood. Some photos or stories are not respectful of children's privacy or dignity, especially when parents are frustrated and share content that could shame, embarrass or upset a child. People may also take your photos for other reasons without your knowledge or consent. Some children could be bullied because of what their parents share.

#### Help and Advice

**02/NSPCC Helpline 0808 800 5002** 'Techy' info and online safety advice **parentzone.org.uk** Making the Internet Work for Families!

Parenting for a Digital Future • Research & Blogs on Sharenting http://blogs.lse.ac.uk/parenting4digitalfuture/tag/sharenting/

INFOF Video-Sharenting

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zTK-mQxHf-Y&feature=youtu.be

Cerebra Guide for Parents with children who have Autism or

http://w3.cerebra.org.uk/help-and-information/guides-for-parents/learning-disabilities-autism-and-internet-safety-a-parents-guide/www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents

www.net-aware.org.uk www.internetmatters.org www.saferinternet.org.uk www.childnet.com https://h2bsafetycentre.com/



#### SUPPORT PACK

Directory of services to help improve mental health and emotional wellbeing

Northern area

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#### **Urgent help and support**

#### **Emergency services**

Police, ambulance service, fire and rescue service,

077 1123 3802

Community Rescue Service.

#### GP out of hours services, Dalriada

Lifeline

Deaf and hard of hearing – Textphone users can call Lifeline on 18001 0808 808 8000

24 hour support for those in distress or despair.

#### Samaritans helpline

028 2566 3500

Listening ear to those in distress.

#### Social services out of hours arrangements

028 9504 9999

#### **Action on Hearing Loss**

0808 808 0123

0808 808 9000

Support for deaf people.

#### **GP referral only services**

Access to these services is through consultation with a GP who can make a referral if it is felt to be appropriate and with your permission (in some instances a social worker, mental health practitioner or other professional such as a teacher or health visitor can make a referral):

#### Self-Harm Intervention Programme (SHIP)

Community based psychological intervention and support service for people who self-harm. NHSCT and GP referral only service.

Service provided by Zest: www.zestni.org

#### **Community addiction service**

provides assessment and treatment for people aged 18 years or over who are experiencing problems with alcohol, drugs and other substances.

#### Community mental health teams (CMHTs)

are multi-professional teams that provide assessment, treatment and support services to people experiencing mental health problems. There are teams working in each council area within the Northern Health and Social Care Trust. In emergency situations, a crisis response service will link with out of hours GPs or the emergency department (ED).

#### **Community outreach**

provides a service for people with severe and enduring mental health problems who require intensive support

#### The Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service (CAMHS)

provides specialist multi-professional support in the community for children and young people aged up to 17 years experiencing mental health problems.

#### The dementia service

provides assessment, support and treatment for people in a range of settings who have dementia. The service also links with a number of voluntary and community organisations that provide support and respite in the community for the patient and their carers.

Inpatient and outpatient treatment is provided for those who have severe mental health problems requiring intensive treatment that cannot be provided in the community setting.

#### Older people's mental health teams

provide assessment, treatment and support services to people experiencing mental health problems and who are over the age of 65 years.

#### Rehabilitation programmes

are linked to a range of mental health services, supporting people who are coping with, and recovering from, mental health problems to develop personal, social and employment skills and opportunities.

#### Mental health including eating distress and anxiety support

#### **Action Mental Health New Horizons**

Support, training and employment opportunities for people coping with mental illness.

#### Aware

• Belfast	028 9035 7	820
Derry	028 7126 0	602

NI charity providing support and information for those affected by depression.

www.aware-ni.org

Support Mail Service: help@aware-ni.org

#### Beat eating disorders

Adult helpline	0808 801 0677 (freephone)
Studentline	0808 801 0811 (freephone)
Youthline	0808 801 0711 (freephone)

www.beateatingdisorders.org.uk

#### Inspire

028 9032 8474

Local support, including housing schemes, home support,

www.inspirewellbeing.org

Currently offers a wide range of support services from locations throughout Northern Ireland.

www.mindwisenv.org

#### **NHSCT** eating disorder service

028 9441 3307

This service also has a voluntary support group called Stamp ED. Both services are available 9am – 5pm Monday to Friday.

#### **PRAXIS Care**

028 9023 4555

Praxis provides care to adults and children with learning disabilities, mental health issues and dementia

#### SANFI INF

For anyone coping with mental illness. Helpline from 6pm – 11pm.

#### Threshold (supported housing)

028 9087 1313

Offers residential therapeutic communities and other services to people in Northern Ireland.

www.threshold-services.co.uk

#### **HSC** information on mental health conditions, treatments and medications

www.choiceandmedication.org/hscni

#### For information on more services and support:

www.mindingyourhead.info

www.familysupportni.gov.uk www.llttf.com (Living Life to the Full)

#### Alcohol, drugs, smoking and gambling

#### Addiction services (Adult)

028 2531 7160

· For advice and support for alcohol and non-injecting

028 2531 7162

For advice and support for injecting drug use.

#### **Ballymena Youth Engagement Service (YES)**

Offering a youth friendly, holistic health and wellbeing service where young people, aged 11-25, have opportunities to socialise and to get advice and support on a range of issues. Run by Start360.

#### **Carrickfergus Youth Engagement Service (YES)**

Providing a youth friendly, holistic health and wellbeing service where young people, aged 11-25, have opportunities to socialise and to get advice and support on a range of issues. Run by Carrickfergus YMCA.

#### ASCERT/Start360

0800 2545 123

Community based services for young people who are identified as having substance misuse difficulties. www.ascert.hiz

Extern

028 2565 4012

Step 2 service: therapeutic work for individuals 18+ who are misusing drugs and alcohol, and a support service for their family members.

Low threshold: harm reduction services for people who are chaotically misusing substances.

asmreferrals@extern.org

#### Al-Anon

To help and support families and friends of problem

#### **Alcoholics Anonymous**

#### Carlisle House (residential services)

028 9032 8308

Substance misuse treatment centre.

www.carlislehouse.org

#### **Addiction NI**

028 9066 4434

Drug and alcohol intervention and support services for adults and family members - specific support available for offenders and those aged 55+.

www.addictionni.com

#### **Gamblers Anonymous**

028 9024 9185

www.belfastga.co.uk

#### Northlands Centre, Derry

028 7131 3232

#### Websites for further information

www.stopsmokingni.info

www.drugsandalcoholni.info

#### **Abuse**

#### 24 Hour Domestic & Sexual Abuse Helpline

0808 802 1414

Open to anyone affected by domestic or sexual

help@dsahelpline.org

#### www.dsahelpline.org National Association for People Abused in

Childhood (NAPAC)

0808 801 0331

#### www.napac.org.uk Nexus NI Northern and Western area 028 7126 0566

 Belfast, South Eastern and Southern Advice and confidential support and counselling for those who have been sexually abused.

### The Rowan - Regional Sexual Assault

**Referral Centre** 24 hour freephone helpline 0800 389 4424

Support and services for anyone who has been sexually abused, assaulted or raped.

#### PSNI non-emergency reporting number

#### Victim Support NI

www.therowan.net

Emotional support for victims of crime.

www.victimsupportni.com

#### Women's Aid Federation NI

Helpline	0808 802 1	1414 (24/7 service)
Causeway Coa	ast and Glens	028 7035 6573
Antrim, Ballyme Larne and New	ena, Carrickfergu rtownabbey	s, 028 2563 2136
Mid Ulster		028 8676 9300

Support and advice for women who have suffered or are suffering from domestic abuse.

#### www.womensaidni.org

The Men's Advisory Project (MAP) 028 9024 1929 or 028 7116 0001

Specialised support for any man who has been a victim of domestic abuse. www.mapni.co.uk

#### Helping someone who is thinking about suicide

Approach the person and asl Show you care, ask if they are thinking about suicide.

2 - Listen, give support

Let them explain their feelings. Tell them you have to take any threats seriously.

Tell them you will support them to find help. Get professional help straight away. Call 999 in a crisis. Remove potential means of suicide and don't leave them alone.

#### Bereavement

#### **Cruse Bereavement Care**

 Cruse Northern Area 0808 808 1677

Cruse offers information, support and advice to anyone

www.cruse.org.uk

Young people: www.hopeagain.org.uk

#### Barnardo's child bereavement service

www.barnardos.org.uk

#### Barnardo's Northern Area children and young people bereaved by suicide support project

Child Death helpline

Free for mobiles 0808 800 6019

#### Miscarriage Association

info@miscarriageassociation.org.uk

www.miscarriageassociation.org.uk

#### NI Stillbirth and Neonatal Death Society (SANDS)

www.sandsni.org

NHSCT bereaved by suicide service

#### Sexual health

Positive Life

028 9024 9268

Confidential helpline 0800 137 437 Providing support services, advice and signposting to people living with and affected by HIV.

#### www.positivelifeni.com

Common Youth

028 9032 8866

Free confidential advice on sex and contraception for young people aged under 25 years.

hello@commonyouth.com

www.sexualhealthni.info

#### www.commonyouth.com

Informing Choices NI (formerly fpaNI)

Belfast

0345 122 8687 Confidential information, advice and support on aspects of sexual health and family planning.

#### www.informingchoicesni.org

**Genito Urinary Medicine (GUM) Clinics** 028 7034 6028 Causeway Hospital

Relationship Resource Centre, Carrickfergus Offers support and education with family life, sexual

Offers support and education with family life, sexual health and crisis pregnancy. Our services include: sexual health information appointments; online and telephone support; educational lessons and programmes; specialised children's counselling; young people's counselling; adult counselling. www.therelationshipresourcecentre.co.uk

#### Sexual orientation and gender identity

**LGBT Switchboard** 

**LGBT Northern Ireland** www.labtni.ora

Transgender NI www.transgenderni.org.uk















#### Cara-Friend

Provides information and support to the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transsexual community.

www.cara-friend.org.uk

#### Cara-Friend LGBTQ+ Youth

#### HERE NI

Support for lesbian and bisexual women in Northern Ireland.

The Rainbow Project

028 9031 9030

Supporting health and wellbeing for the LGBT+ community and their families. Co-cultural counselling for individuals and couples; health and wellbeing sessions; befriending support; personal development (regional); sexual health testing and support/advice; regional LGBT peer and support groups; advocacy support; OUT North West (youth support in North West); relationships and sex education for young people; same sex family support; family support.

info@rainbow-project.org

www.rainbow-project.org

#### SAIL

A support group for families of gender variant or transgender individuals of any age.

www.sailni.com

#### Children/youth support

Main Northern Ireland contact number.

www.barnardos.org.uk

#### Barnardo's child bereavement service

Barnardo's Northern Area children and

#### young people bereaved by suicide support project

077 9614 8549

#### Childline

Helpline (24/7 service) 0800 1111 www.childline.org.uk

CLIC

028 9072 5780 0300 330 0803

Support for children suffering from cancer and leukaemia, and signposting for parents or anyone else affected. www.clicsargent.org.uk

#### **FLARE (Facilitating Life and Resilience Education**)

028 2563 0064 077 3997 9443

Support service for young people (11-25 years old) experiencing mental health issues or impacted by suicide, delivered through youth work practice and interventions.

flare@eani.org.uk

#### Gateway

0300 123 4333 (Mon-Fri 9am-5pm)

The NHSCT children's social work service is a first point of contact for anyone concerned about the welfare of a child or young person.

Outside office hours, you can contact the Regional Emergency Social Work Service.

028 9504 9999

#### Lifeline

0808 808 8000

24 hour support for those in distress or despair.

Child protection 24/7 helpline - emotional, physical or

#### Voice of Young People in Care (VOYPIC)

Ballymena branch 028 2563 2641

Enabling children and young people with experience of care to make life changes.

www.voypic.org

#### Student support

#### Ulster University student support

Main telephone number 028 9536 7000 24 hr counselling helpline 0800 028 5510

Provides a professional counselling service on all

Further contact details at: www.ulster.ac.uk/wellbeing

#### Family and relationships

Marriage counselling. www.accord-ni.co.uk

Autism NI

028 9040 1729

#### The Children's Centre

028 7032 5456

Providing support for families, enhancing parenting skills and promoting the emotional wellbeing of all individuals referred to the centre.

#### Contact a Family Northern Ireland

Contact a running Northcom inclana	
Main number	028 9262 7552
Freephone helpline	0808 808 3555

Signposting and help with disabilities. In the NHSCT area, family workers offer parents one-to-one help and support through times of need.

www.cafamily.org.uk

#### Family Ties Project

Provides practical advice, guidance, advocacy support, counselling and befriending to parents, guardians and family members of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people.

www.familytiesproject.org.uk

#### **Home-Start Antrim**

028 9442 8090

One-to-one family support for parents with at least one child under 5 years old.

#### Parenting NI

Offers services to support parents and carers including Oriers services to support parents and carers including a freephone helpline, face-to-face support, counselling, parenting programmes and the opportunity to have a say on the issues affecting parents and carers. Appointment services based throughout Northern Ireland, including Ballymena, Coleraine and Magherafelt.

#### Parentline NI

parentline@ci-ni.org.uk

#### Relate

028 9032 3454

Services include relationship counselling for individuals and couples, and counselling for children and young people.

office@relateni.org

www.relateni.org

#### St Vincent de Paul

Offers direct, confidential assistance based on the need of the indivdual or family.

#### www.svp-ni.co.uk Sure Start

Coleraine	028 7032 1032
<ul> <li>Dalriada (including Bushmills and Ballycastle)</li> </ul>	028 2073 0444
ABBEY (Newtownabbey)	028 9086 0938
Ballymena	028 2564 3555
<ul> <li>G-old (including Cookstown, Ard Dunamore and Pomeroy)</li> </ul>	boe, 028 8676 9994
Horizon (Carrickfergus)	028 9335 9734
Larne	028 2827 6044

Range of services for young children aged 0-4 years and their families, aimed at improving health, children's social and emotional development, and their ability to learn.

#### Benefits/financial advice

#### Citizens Advice

Antrim & Newtownabbey	028 9085 2271
Causeway	028 7034 4817
Mid & East Antrim	028 9600 1333
Mid Illster	028 8676 6126

Free confidential, impartial advice; representation at tribunals; debt counselling services

#### Step Change

0800 138 1111

Free confidential debt advice.

www.stepchange.org

#### Advice 4 Health

<ul> <li>Newtownabbey, Carrickfergus,</li> </ul>	
Larne	028 9086 7100
Coleraine, Ballymoney, Moyle	028 7034 4817
Antrim & Newtownabbey	028 9590 6505
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Advice 4 Health takes client referrals from health professionals and through health based outreach

#### Trauma

sessions.

#### The Family Trauma Centre

#### **Victim Support**

028 9024 3133

Emotional support for victims of crime.

www.victimsupportni.com

#### **WAVE Trauma Centre**

028 2766 9900

Befriending and counselling for people who are victims of violence or bereaved due to the Troubles.

www.wavetraumacentre.org.uk/

#### Carers

#### Carers NI

028 9043 9843

Benefits and carers' rights.

#### Cause

028 9065 0650

Helpline 0800 103 2833

A local charity providing peer-led emotional and practical support to carers and families of people with mental illness.

#### Headway Ballymena – The brain injury

#### association

028 2565 1521

Dedicated to supporting people with a brain injury, as well as their families and carers.

www.headway.org.uk

#### Rural support

#### **Rural Support Helpline**

0800 138 1678 www.ruralsupport.org.uk

#### Other health-related support

#### **MS Helpline**

0808 800 8000

www.mssociety.org.uk Macmillan Cancer Helpline

0808 808 0000

www.macmillan.org.uk

#### Housing/homelessness/ supported living

#### Lighthouse Hostel (Ballymena)

028 2564 7654 A residential homeless facility for men aged 18-65 years, which provides full board and supported living. www.lighthousehostel.org

#### MUST Hostel (Cookstown)

Hostel primarily for single homeless people with support needs (direct access service)

www.musthostel.co.uk

#### Northern Ireland Housing Executive (NIHE)

0344 892 0900

028 9504 9999

After hours www.nihe.gov.uk

#### Simon Community

Central access point and emergency accommodation 24/7 helpline 0800 171 2222

Provides accommodation and support to people who are currently homeless or at risk of homelessness.

**Triangle Housing Association Limited** 

#### Vineyard Compassion

028 7022 0005 Coleraine-based practical and emotional support at points of need (including foodbank support, social supermarket, Job Club, debt management, clothing bank

www.vineyardcompassion.co.uk info@vineyardcompassion.co.uk

and supported living).

#### Cultural/ethnic

#### **Bryson Intercultural/Migrant Help**

Support for black and minority ethnic (BME) communities and individuals.

#### Migrant Centre NI

www.brysonintercultural.org

(EU settlement sch euss@migrantcentreni.org

Hate crime support bilingualsupportworker@migrantcentreni.org

www.migrantcentreni.org

#### Older people

#### Age NI (Advice and Information)

Charity combining Age Concern NI and Help the Aged in Northern Ireland.

www.ageuk.org.uk/northern-ireland

**Good Morning Projects** 028 9446 4619 Ballycastle 028 2076 8309 Ballymena 028 2564 0720 Carrickfergus 028 9332 6000 • Causeway 028 7055 8005 • Larne 028 2827 3362 Mid-Ulster 028 7963 2170

The primary aim is to support members of the community by means of regular, friendly, telephone conversations – making time for people, listening effectively and becoming a 'friend on the phone'.

info@goodmorningcarrickfergus.com

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Public Health Agency, 12-22 Linenhall Street, Belfast BT2 8BS. Tel: 0300 555 0114 (local rate). www.publichealth.hscni.net

Northern area



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**Directory of services to help** improve mental health and emotional wellbeing

Western area

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#### **Urgent help and support**

**Emergency services** 

GP out of hours services

Foyle Search and Rescue

Preservation of life in and around the River Foyle

Samaritans helpline

Listening ear to those in distress.

#### **GP referral only services**

Speak to your GP about accessing the following services.

#### The Child and Adolescent Mental Health

Provides specialist multi-professional support in the community for children and young people aged up to 17 years experiencing mental health problems.

#### Community Mental Health Teams (CMHTs)

These are multi-professional teams that provide assessment, treatment and support services to people experiencing mental health problems. There are teams working throughout the Western Health and Social Care Trust. In emergency situations, a crisis response service will link with out of hours GPs or the emergency department (ED).

#### Older People's Mental Health Teams

Provide assessment, treatment and support services to people experiencing mental health problems who are over the age of

#### Community Addiction Teams (CATs)

Provide treatment and support for adults with drug and alcohol problems.

#### Psychosexual Service

Provides treatment for sexual difficulties arising from a variety of causes.

#### Suicide prevention/ self-harm/self help

028 7126 6999

Deaf and hard of hearing – Textphone users can call Lifeline on 18001 0808 808 800

24 hour support for those in distress or despair.

Zest

Tackling the problems that lead to suicidal behaviour and direct and/or indirect self-harm in young people and adults. www.zestni.ora

Samaritans helpline

Listening ear to those in distress.

North West counselling

Youthlife 028 7137 7227

Helping children and young people who have experienced bereavement and loss.

www.vouthlife.ora

Aisling Centre Enniskillen

Counsellors at the Aisling Centre are experienced in dealing with a range of issues, including trauma, anxiety, childhood abuse, suicidal thoughts, stress, bereavement/loss, alienation, low self-esteem and relationship/family issues.

Email: info@theaislingcentre.com www.theaislingcentre.com

**Koram Centre Strabane** 

Counselling, psychotherapy and psychosocial support.

Clare House (residential/respite)

**Aurora Counselling** 

www.auroracounselling.org Rethink

www.rethink.org

#### Mental health including eating disorders and anxiety support

NI charity providing support and information for those affected by depression.

028 7128 8868

Community-led mental health project.

**Derry Well Woman** 

www.derrywellwoman.org

028 7130 8020

Provides services for adults and children with a learning disability, mental ill health or acquired brain injury, and for older people, including people with dementia.

www.praxiscare.org.uk

**Eating Disorders Association helpline** 

www.eatingdisordersni.co.uk

Eating disorders service

Western Trust eating disorder therapists

Men's Action Network

Provides a safe space for men to find support for life issues

Relate

028 9032 3454

Relationship and family services.

CLEAR Project

www.clearproject.co.uk

Inspire Community Wellbeing Service

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Mind Yourself & Foyle Advocates

Inspire (formerly NIAMH)

028 9032 8474

Local support, including housing schemes, home support, advocacy services, information services and education. www.inspirewellbeing.org

028 7186 5238 028 6634 4246 028 8283 5990

Youth treatment, counselling and support.

HSC information on mental health conditions. treatments and medications

#### Substance misuse and gambling

Alcoholics Anonymous

Start 360 Daisy West

Drugs and alcohol intervention service for 11-25 year olds.

Alcohol and drug services

240 028 6638 2073 Asha Treatment Service

**Community drug therapists** 

One Stop Shop FUEL / FIND Centre, Enniskillen

Education, prevention and referral on a range of issues. www.thefindcentre.com

Drinkline 0300 123 1110

Gamblers Anonymous

www.gamblersanonymous.org.uk Narcotics Anonymous

ww.nanorthernireland.com

Treatment centre for alcohol problems.

www.northlands.org.uk

#### Fovle Haven

www.depaulireland.org/our-services/on-the-map/northern-ireland/foyle-haven

62 8741

Reducing the harm caused by the misuse of alcohol.

**DIVERT Project** 

Provides support and information to children, young people and parents on alcohol and substance misuse.

Breakthru

ww.breakthru.co.uk

**HURT (Have Your Tomorrows)** 

Offering support on issues around alcohol and drug addiction. Aisling Centre

Support group for people who live with, or have lived with, a loved one's addiction.

**Daisy West** 

Treatment, counselling and support services for young people and families affected by substance misuse.

028 7186 5238 028 6634 4246 028 8283 5990

Youth treatment, counselling and support.

Websites for further information

www.drugsandalcoholni.info

www.talktofrank.com

#### Victims of abuse 24 Hour Domestic & Sexual Violence Helpline

Open to all women and men affected by domestic or sexual

24hrsupport@dvhelpline.org

**PSNI Child Abuse and Rape Enquiry Unit** 

Cunamh 028 7128 8868

Community-led mental health project.

**PSNI** non-emergency reporting number

Victim Support

028 7137 0086

Emotional support for victims of crime.

www.victimsupportni.com fovle@victimsupportni.org.uk

**NSPCC** helpline

0800 1111 (for under 18s)

Nexus

028 6632 0046 Nexus Institute offers counselling to survivors of childhood sexual abuse and victims of sexual violence, including those who have experienced rape and sexual assault.

www.nexusni.org

**WAVE Trauma Centre** Omagh / Fermanagh 028 8225 2522
Offers care and support to anyone bereaved or traumatised through

www.wavetraumacentre.org.uk

**Aisling Centre** 

Counselling and psychotherapy for victims and survivors of sexual abuse.

Women's Aid, Fermanagh The Rowan - Regional Sexual Assault Referral

24 hour Freephone Helpline 0800 389 4424

Support and services for anyone who has been sexually abused, assaulted or raped.

**Barnardo's Child Bereavement Service** 

Cruse Bereavement Care

Cruse offers information, support and advice to anyone affected by death.

Helping someone who is thinking about suicide

1 - Approach the person and asl

Show you care, ask if they are thinking about suicide.

2 - Listen, give support Let them explain their feelings. Tell them you have to

take any threats seriously. 3 - Get help
Tell them you will support them to find help. Get professional
help straight away. Call 999 in a crisis. Remove potential
means of suicide and don't leave them alone.

Miscarriage Association helpline

info@miscarriageassociation.org.uk

www.miscarriageassociation.org.uk

NI Stillbirth and Neonatal Death Society (SANDS)

077 4099 3450 www.sandsni.org

**The Compassionate Friends** 

www.tcf.org.uk

North West Counselling

www.northwestcounselling.co.uk

**WAVE Trauma Centre** nderry / Limavady / Strabane 028 7126 6655

Offers care and support to anyone bereaved or traumatised through violence, irrespective of religious, cultural or political beliefs. www.wavetraumacentre.org.uk

admin@wavederry.co.uk admin@waveomagh.co.uk

Youthlife

Helping children and young people who have experienced bereavement and loss.

Suicide Liaison Officers / Bereaved by Suicide Support

**Bereaved by Suicide Support Group** 

North West Bereaved By Suicide Group

1st and 3rd Monday each month.

Fermanagh Bereaved By Suicide Group

Roe Valley Bereaved By Suicide Support Group

**PATHS Omagh** 078 7941 4385 | 028 8225 0024 Support to families and individuals bereaved by suicide

Sexual health

**Family Planning Association** 028 7126 0016

Providing support services, advice and signposting to people living with and affected by HIV.

**Brae Clinic** 

Family planning and young people's clinic.

Family planning clinic

**Family Nurse Partnership** 

Teenscene 028 8283 5536 028 6638 2693

Genito Urinary Medicine (GUM) Clinic

The Rainbow Project

Promotes the health and wellbeing of lesbian, gay, bisexual and/or transgender people and their families. www.rainbow-project.org

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#### Bereavement

www.cruse.org.uk

Young people: www.hopeagain.org.uk

#### Sexual orientation and gender identity

Cara-Friend

Providing information and support to the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transsexual community. www.cara-friend.org.uk

LGBT Switchboard

HERE NI

Support for lesbian and bisexual women in Northern Ireland.

The Rainbow Project

028 7128 3030 | 028 9031 9030

Support and counselling for gay and bisexual men. www.rainbow-project.org

SAIL - Transgender support

Family support 028 3057 0075 General enquiries/professionals 028 9532 0023

www.sailni.com

Transgender NI

Advocacy and support for transgender people across Northern Ireland.

ww.transgenderni.org.uk

Teenscene

028 8283 5536 028 6638 2693 Positive Life Helpline

#### Children and young people

#### Barnardo's

/ww.barnardos.org.uk

Childline

www.childline.org.uk

0 330 0803 028 9072 5780

Support for children suffering from cancer and leukaemia, and signposting for parents or anyone else affected. ww.clicsargent.org.uk

Zest

Tackling the problems that lead to suicidal behaviour and direct and/or indirect self-harm in young people and adults.

FLARE (Facilitating Life and Resilience Education)

077 3997 9443 077 2071 7275

Support service for young people (11-25 years old) experiencing mental health issues or impacted by suicide, delivered through youth work practice and interventions. flare@eani.org.uk

WHSCT Gateway Team (24 hour)

First point of contact for anyone concerned about the welfare of a child or young person.

Youth Action Right Here Fermanagh Project

Works with young people to support them as active and equal citizens whose voices are heard, respected and valued.

www.youthaction.org Email: roisinmc@youthaction.org

**DIVERT Project** 

Provides support and information to children, young people and parents on alcohol and substance misuse.

Breakthru

028 8775 3228 www.breakthru.co.uk

**Action For Children** 

Supports and speaks out for the most vulnerable and neglected children and young people locally. ww.actionforchildren.org.uk

Family Nurse Partnership

Young People Sexual Health Nurse

Youthlife

Relate Teens

www.relateni.org

Voice of Young People in Care (VOYPIC)

www.vovnic.org

School Aged Mothers

Waterside Women's Centre

NSPCC Helpline (24 Hour)

claremaguireytp@gmail.com

**Daisy West** 

centre

Breakthru

w.breakthru.co.uk

Autism Support NI

**Contact a Family** 

Family Support NI

NI Newpin

Parenting NI

Sure Start

www.derrvhc.com

Northern Ireland re
 Londonderry

www.accord-ni.co.uk

office@relateni.org

Women's Aid

Omagh

www.womensaidni.org

**Derry Well Woman** 

www.derrywellwoman.org

Marriage and relationships counselling.

ACCORD

Relate 028 9032 3454

info@familysupportni.gov.uk

ntingni.org

One Stop Shop FUEL / FIND Centre, Enniskillen

One Stop Shop Youth Transition Project, Derry 028 7137 2456 028 7136 6099
Education, prevention and referral on a range of issues.

028 7137 1162
Treatment, counselling and support services for young people and families affected by substance misuse.

028 7186 5238 028 6634 4246 028 8283 5990

Provides a professional counselling service on all campuses.

Queen's University Belfast student guidance

During office hours 028 9097 2727

24 hr counselling helpline 0808 800 0016

A first stop for information, advice and guidance. Also provides a professional counselling service.

Family and relationships

Freephone helpline - signposting and help with disabilities.

Offers services to support parents and carers including a freephone helpline, counselling, parenting programmes and the opportunity to have a say on the issues affecting parents and carers across Northern Ireland.

• Strathroy 028 8225 2936

Range of services for young children aged 0-4 years and their families, aimed at improving health, children's social and emotional development, and their ability to learn.

Strengthening Families Programme - Derry

Services include relationship counselling for individuals and couples, and counselling for children and young people.

urty / Hazelbank 028 7126 7524

vw.qub.ac.uk/directorates/sqc/

Youth treatment, counselling and support.

Ulster University student support

Student support

Education, prevention and referral on a range of issues.

www.watersidewomen.net

Strabane and Lifford Resource and **Development Centre** 

028 7188 6253

The Women's Centre

www.thewomenscentre.co.uk

Galliagh Women's Group

Strathfoyle Women's Activity Group

Men's Action Network

Healthy Living Centres

The Old Library Trust	028 7137 3870
The Oak Project	028 6772 3843
The Arc HL Project	028 6862 8741
Derg Valley HL Project	028 8167 0764
Bogside and Brandywell HF	028 7136 5330

**Fertility Network** 

0121 323 5025

fertilitynetworkuk.org

**Oak Healthy Living Centre** 

A drop-in service for heavy drinkers and people who are isolated or suffer mild health issues (Tuesday 10am-1pm)

WHSCT Stop Smoking Service

#### Benefits/financial advice

Omagh support / self-help group

West Tyrone Gateway

**Carers NI** 

Citizens Advice North West

Omagh / Fermanagh 028 6632 4334

Free, confidential, impartial advice; representation at tribunals; debt counselling services.

ww.citizensadvice.org.uk **Disability Action** 

028 7136 0811 www.disabilityaction.org

Personal Independence Payment (PIP)

Benefit enquiry line

**Omagh Independent Advice Services** 

Advice on social security benefits, disability benefits,

Step Change

0800 138 1111 Free confidential debt advice

www.stepchange.org

**Employment training** 

**AMH Foyle New Horizons** 

Helps people overcome the effects of mental ill health and in many cases return to work.

www.amh.org.uk/amh-near-vou/new-horizons

**AMH Fermanagh New Horizons** 

www.amh.org.uk/amh-near-you/new-horizons

**CLEAR Project Training** 

**Condition Management Programme (CMP)** 

The Condition Management Programme is a multidisciplinary team of healthcare professionals providing work-focused rehabilitation to overcome physical and mental health barriers to work. www.westerntrust.hscni.net/ourservices

condition.management@westerntrust.hscni.net WHSCT Health Improvement Team

**Lisnamallard Day Centre** 

**Prospects Mental Health Day Care Centre** 

www.beaconwellbeing.org

#### Carers

Carers NI 028 9043 9843

Benefits and carers' rights.

Cause

028 9065 0650

A local charity providing peer-led emotional and practical support to carers and families of people with mental illness.

Headway – The brain injury association

Dedicated to supporting people with a brain injury, as well as their families and carers.

Western Health and Social Care Trust Carers Coordinator

The Escapists

#### **Rural support**

**Rural Support Helpline** 

www.ruralsupport.org.uk

#### **Long-term conditions**

MS Helpline

www.mssociety.org.uk

Macmillan Cancer Helpline

0808 808 0000 www.macmillan.org.uk

Mencap (Londonderry)

**Huntington's Disease Association NI** info@hdani.org.uk

www.hdani.org.uk

**British Lung Foundation** 

www.blf.org.uk

Housing and supported living First Housing Aid and Support Services

0808 808 1111

House in the Wells

Methodist City Mission for Homeless Men

Simon Community

028 7131 1461 point and emerge

Shelter NI (SLATE Project)

Depaul Ireland

For floating support and housing.

#### Cultural/ethnic

**Chinese Welfare Association** 

Omagh Ethnic Community Support Group

Strabane Ethnic Group

Migrant Centre NI

#### Older people

Age NI

Age Concern NI and Help the Aged in Northern Ireland.

w.ageuk.org.uk/northern-ireland/ Alzheimer's Society

U3A Foyle

Limavady - Be Safe Be Well Men's Sheds

**LCDI Volunteer Bureau** 

North West Volunteer Centre

Dennett Interchange

Western area

Public Health Agency, 12-22 Linenhall Street, Belfast BT2 8BS. Tel: 0300 555 0114 (local rate). www.publichealth.hscni.net



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# Are you attached to your screen or your child?

Don't make your child compete for your attention







# Adult mental health problems start in childhood

0–5 is the most important time for your child's brain to develop. This is the best time to create and grow the bond you have together. Your child learns from the people around them, this is an important time to make them feel safe and loved. Parents who spend too much time on their screen lose time to create that special bond and this can have a lasting effect on your child through out their lives.

# Too much time on your screen could cause your child to...



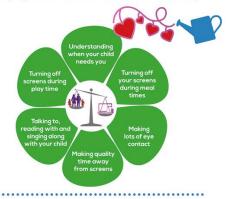
- have behavioural problems
- · become less creative
- develop poor coping skills
- · have poor communcation skills
- have trust issues
- feel unloved
- become distressed
- feel anxious





- have trouble making friends
- struggle to learn at school
- develop low self-esteem
- · learn unhealthly screen habits

#### Help your child to flourish by



Finding a healthy balance of screen time and family time can give you more opportunities to create a warm, supportive environment for your child to flourish in.

# There can be benefits to shared screen time with your child

When you and your child use a screen together for a short period of time this can have a positive impact on your child's development.



Use educational apps to teach your child about objects, numbers and letters

Watch a fun children's video and talk about what is happening during and after the video.



Play interactive games together for fun and to encourage sharing



Get the balance right

For Family support groups in your area visit
Children & Young People's Strategic Partnership:: www.cypsp.org
Parenting NI: www.parentingni.org

# SCREEN TIME OR YOUR CHILD'S TIME







# **NOTES**



## At a Glance... Useful resources

# childline

ONLINE, ON THE PHONE, ANYTIME

http://childline.org.uk/toolbox/calm-zone/

# **NSPCC**

Visit the o2/NSPCC website www.o2.co.uk/help/nspcc Helpline 0808 800 5002

## **Explore these resources:**

www.digipalni.org

www.parentzone.org.uk

www.parentinfo.org

www.net-aware.org.uk

www.intenetmatters.org

www.saferinternet.org.uk

www.thinkuknow.co.uk

www.webwise.ie



**Causeway Coast and Community Safety Partnership** 

Email: pcsp@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk www.causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk