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Cavan Networks—Meet Michael



I hope that you are all keeping well in these unprecedented times. I want to introduce myself for anyone who might not know me, I am Michael Dunne. I will be covering the role of Child and Family Network Co-Ordinator [Tusla] Cavan on a part- time basis, and working alongside Senior Child and Family Network Co-Ordinator Antoinette Brady. I will also continue my role as Participation and Partnership Officer [Tusla] for Dublin North East.

I am really excited and looking forward to working alongside all the Networks in Co. Cavan. Some of you will know me from my role as Participation and Partnership Officer and I am already familiar with some of you from my time working with Extern. I look forward to meeting everyone else over the next few months. I understand that last year we all had to adapt to the online space for meetings and it looks like this may need to continue for the first part of 2021 at least. I would be very aware of the tremendous work that the Networks in Cavan done during Covid-19 in supporting children/young people and families during difficult and challenging times. The Networks in Cavan are a great way of sharing information and supporting each other, and this has never been more evident than over the last year.

I look forward to our network Meetings this year which will take place on a Bi-Monthly basis, and if you know any agencies/organisations that might like to be added to the Networks please feel free to get them to contact me via email at michaelo.dunne@tusla.ie and I will include them on the Networks. Take care and stay safe

Inspirational talk with James Leonard

Cavan 365 Project are delighted to announce details of a Zoom Q&A with the inspirational James Leonard.

Having told his story on the Tommy Tiernan show in 2020 James had a huge impact on many many people, from speaking about homelessness, drug addiction, time spent in prison, to near death experiences James dramatically turned his life around and has accomplished so much! Anyone who say James speak on Tommy Tiernan's show will know James is an honest and effective communicator with a life story of redemption and transformation. James pulls no punches and speaks candidly about the importance of life choices and potential consequences. And also offers a beacon of hope that its never too late. Email sharon.ivers@foroige.ie to register for the session.

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Monday 29th March @3pm via zoom

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Cavan 365 Project present:

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And achieving: A degree in Youth & Community Work

A Masters in Criminology Recently publishing his own book

Prison sentence Drug addiction Homelessness

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Competition Time TEACH OSCAIL FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

Make your own Mad Hatters Hat for a chance to win some fantastic prizes Click Here for further information



Parenting Cavan



Following on from her fantastic interactive group session with parents **Dr Malie Coyne** has recorded a short video with Parenting Cavan about **Parenting During Lockdown**. To watch the video and for lots of other support and information visit their <u>Facebook page</u>



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New mental health and wellbeing resource for schools

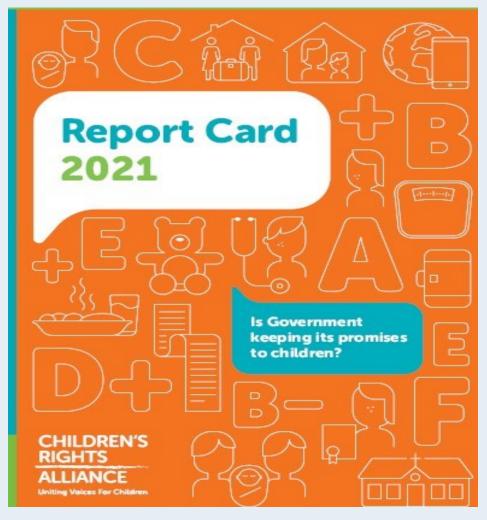


Jigsaw, the youth mental health charity, have launched the Jigsaw Schools Hub. A new resource offering schools across Ireland the latest tools and information to help them support young people's mental health and wellbeing.

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At www.jigsaw.ie/schools you will find a growing range of resources for school staff, created in collaboration with young people, school staff, and parents

Childrens Rights Alliance—Report Card 2021



This is the thirteenth Report Card and the first analysis under the Fianna Fáil, Fine Gael and the Green Party's joint Programme for Government: Our Shared Future. CRA have carefully selected 16 promises to children and have rated the Government on its efforts since their formation from June to December 2020.

As always, their independent panel of experts, chaired by Judge Catherine McGuinness graded the Government's performance.

Click HERE for report



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Fun Craft Activities

The "Keep Well" campaign is part of the Government's Plan for Living with COVID-19 to promote individual and community resilience. This programme encourages people at home to 'switch off, be creative, and to learn something new'. It offers people of all ages and abilities an opportunity to engage with a series of online creative activities, and onsite activities at public locations (where possible within COVID-19 guidelines) all designed to promote wellbeing and resilience during COVID-19. Just click link below

Be creative

Positive Psychology and Happiness webinar on Wednesday 31st March at 2pm.



As we continue to adapt our lifestyles to deal with COVID-19 and face difficult challenges HSE Health and Wellbeing are taking the opportunity to share some tips on how to build happiness into your life using positive psychology. Positive psychology focuses on the positive events and influences in life. <u>Register Here</u>

Building on our focus of Minding your Wellbeing guest speaker Paula King, Psychologist will discuss the importance of creating meaning in our lives and living a life of purpose. Look at the studies carried out on optimists and pessimists and creating hope in our todays and our tomorrows. Explore the concept of compassion in particular self-compassion and look at creating a personal 'Happiness Life Guide

Tusla Education Support Services



TESS are available to provide help and support to children and young people as it is vital to make every school day count. Anyone can make a referral for support not just schools. For more information and referral forms click <u>HERE</u>

STOP Press—Big News—More resources coming to Cavan

TESS Cavan and Monaghan will soon be expanding its resources with an additional post to support children and young peoples education. This new post highlights the value of every referral to service

Watch this space for updates

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SOSAD Suicide Bereavement Group

Sosad Cavan would like to announce that we will be running



This group is for anyone who has lost a loved one to suicide.

To register your interest please contact us via email: cavan@sosdireland.ie

April 9th, 2021| 7pm-9pm Location: Zoom/ The Farnham Arms Hotel (Depending on restrictions)



Sosad Cavan are running a support group for anyone who has lost a loved one to suicide. Email Cavan@sosadireland.ie for further details

A National Suicide Bereavement Support Guide, **You Are Not Alone**

Is a support for people who have been bereaved by suicide, published by HSE National Office for Suicide Prevention - Click here

Long Covid Support

Occupational Therapy Holds Review Revealed HSE Cavan Monaghan Primary Care Services
Long Covid Syndrome
Did you test positive for COVID-19 at least 6-8 weeks ago?
Are your everyday activities becoming harder to complete? Do you tire easily? Are you finding it difficult to resume all of the activities you were doing prior to testing positive for COVID-19?
Are any of these symptoms new since your recovery from COVID- 19?
PLEASE do not struggle alone and speak to someone today.
Your local <u>Occupational Therapy</u> service is providing <u>online</u> assistance and advice for anyone who may be experiencing any of the above symptoms.
Please contact your GP, PHN or Allied Health Professional for information regarding referral to Occupational Therapy Services.
Please remember Stay Safe. Protect each other.
Cavan Monaghan Primary Care Occupational Therapy Service have developed a virtual telehealth education program specifically for sufferers of Long Covid Syndrome. This virtual lehealth service will offer support and advice to clients presenting with symptoms of Long Covid

Syndrome, with the aim that they will be able to return to normal activities of daily living. The main areas of intervention we will be addressing are:

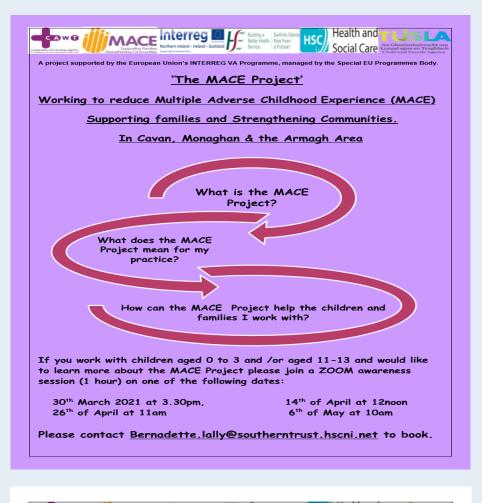
Fatigue Management Energy conservation in everyday activities Cognitive Screening with cognitive retraining in terms of "brain fog" Advice regarding return to work in liaison with Occupational Health services as appropriate Adaptive equipment advice Identifying appropriate support groups for these clients



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MACE Project



An Charlower Hands - Social Care Social Care C AWT Performing Trauma-Informed Assessments: The MACE Toolkit training MACE Trauma-Informed Practitioner's Toolkit • 3 hour interactive course Available to practitioners working with children and families in the Armagh area, Newry & Mourne, Cavan and Monaghan border areas Aims of the course: Understand the concept of trauma-informed assessments Understand helpful and unhelpful practitioner behaviours during assessme Identify potential sources and signs of childhood trauma Understand protective factors and how they interact with risk factors to influence positive outcom Identify appropriate interventions to support families affected by trauma Understand the process of support pathway planning and review Understand how to use the MACE Trauma-Informed Practitioner's Toolkit alongside their own assessment forms (e.g. UNOCINI, Meitheal, Signs of Safety, etc.) Please contact Jessica Fields to register: jessica.fields@westerntrust.hscni.net Please note that all sessions will be <u>10 am – 1 pm</u> and delivered over Zoom. (17 places per session) 21st, 29th April 3rd, 7th, 10th, 15th September 6th, 12th, 21st May 1st, 5th, 6th, 7th October 2nd, 8th, 17th, 25th June 9th, 12th, 17th, 24th November "Working to reduce Multiple Adverse Childhood Experience (MACE) Supporting families and Strengthening Communities"



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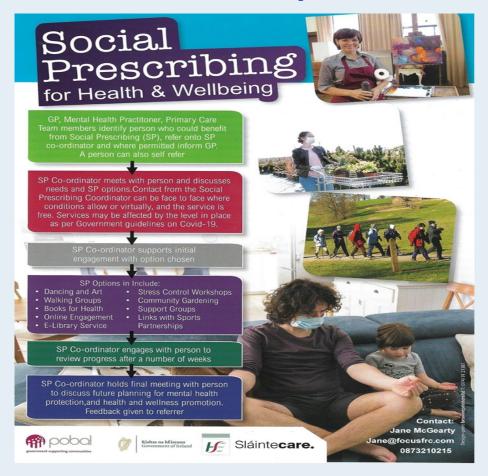
Family Supports





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Social Prescribing



Grow Mental Health—Weekly Meetings

Grow deliver weekly meetings that offer peer led mental health support and recovery through a 12 step structured program. The meetings are free, open to anyone over 18 who is experiencing mental health challenges or illness and are not referral based. One is on a Monday night at 7.30pm and the other takes place on Wednesday afternoon at

3.30pm.

For more information and resources visist their Website—CLICK HERE

or drop by their page on Facebook for some fabulous resources and information







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CAMRY are still working away—providing supports and group sessions on line



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