

NEWSLETTER Issue 17 August 14th 2020

**UP COMING EVENTS NEAR YOU.....** 



Welcome to the 17th edition of our electronic information bulletin, **WOW**.

In our 14<sup>th</sup> August edition we have ;

- Lots of ways to stay active from Monaghan Sports Partnership
- Creative Fridays Master classes for young people
- A new suicide bereavement support group started in Cavan
- Free LÁMH courses and an introduction to what Lámh is from Monaghan Comhairle na nÓg
- Funding opportunities and lots more ......

We aim to provide continued information every two weeks building a more comprehensive resource for parents and families, and would invite you to share any useful resources or details of summer camps with us for inclusion. Previous editions of WOW can be accessed on the <u>www.cypsc.ie</u> website <u>here</u> Please also feel free to share the attached information with those who might be interested in the details contained and, as always, your feedback is much appreciated.

#### Stay safe everyone $\bigcirc$

#### Monaghan Sports Partnership

## NATURE WALKS

### Get outdoors and get moving!

#### GROUP WALKS & FLEXIBILITY EXERCISES

6 WEEK PROGRAMME Beginners welcome

#### ROSSMORE PARK, MONAGHAN

Meeting point - main car park

10.00am Open age group (adults only)11.00am Over 60s and vulnerable adults

Register online at https://monaghansportspartnerhip.eventbrite.ie Limited numbers - Pre-registration strictly applies. All walks will be conducted with social distancing in mind and within current Government / HSE guidelines for outdoor group activity

For further information or enquiries please contact: Paul Carragher at pcarragher2@monaghancoco.ie or 087 9425725



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### MONAGHAN WOMEN'S VIRTUAL MINI MARATHON

Be part of something special this September!

### Walk-Jog-Run 5km/10km

To celebrate the European Week of Sport and the 20x20 Women in Sport Campaign, we are inviting females from all over Monaghan to take part in our first ever Women's Virtual Mini Marathon!

Entry Fee: 5km €5 10km €10 COMPLETE YOUR CHALLENGE ON A DATE/TIME THAT SUITS YOU BETWEEN 23rd-30th SEPTEMBER 2020

Registration is open! Closing date for entries is Friday 21st August 2020 Limited places available! All participants receive a special edition t-shirt and finishers medal. All proceeds from this initiative will go to Monaghan Cancer Societies. \*Terms & Conditions apply. Register online at https://monaghansportspartnerhip.eventbrite.ie

For information email info@monaghansports.ie or call 042 9755126



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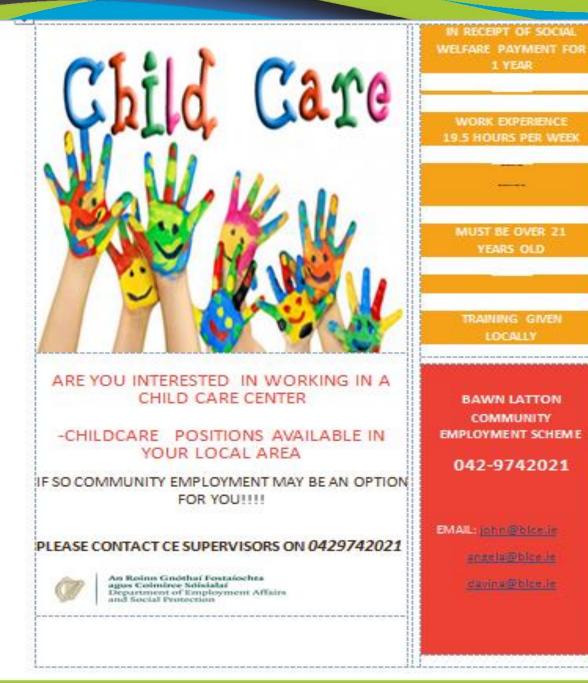


## Monaghan Women's Virtual Mini Marathon



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BAWN LATTON COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT SCHEME 042-9742021 EMAIL: john@blce.ie angela@blce.ie davina@blce.ie

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## Suicide and Self-Harm Crisis Service

## Bereavement Service

#### Free counselling with fully qualified therapists

Pieta provides free, one-to-one professional counselling for people who are in suicidal crisis, those who are self-harming, and people who have been bereaved by suicide. Our services are now evaluable in Cavan and Monaghan and our therapeutic approach is rooted in compassion and care. Monaghan Outreach Service Castleblayney, Co Monaghan

> Cavan Outreach Service Cavan Town, Co. Cavan

090 642 4111 Call to book an appointment

24/7 HELPLINE 1800 247 247

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## Do you need someone to talk to right now?

If you're experiencing a personal crisis, are unable to cope and need support **text HELLO to 50808.** 

If your life is in imminent danger, please call 999.

We can help with urgent issues such as:

- •Suicidal thoughts
- •Self-harm
- Anxiety, panic or stress
- Depression or sadness
- Isolation or loneliness
- •Relationship challenges
- Abuse or assault
- Bullying

#### Get help now

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#### Cavan Semi-Colon Project Suicide Bereavement Support Group

### Cavan and Monaghan have the highest rates of suicide in the country at present.

Each suicide has a devastating and lasting impact on families, friends and communities.

Our peer support group has been established to address this need for support of those who have lost a loved one to suicide. The group is led by a trained and experienced facilitator. We aim to provide a safe, confidential environment in which those bereaved by suicide can share their experiences and feelings, so giving and gaining support from each other.

We are meeting in **Crover House Hotel** on the following dates: Wednesday, 16th September 2020, 7.30 p.m.— 9.00 p.m. Wednesday, 14th October 2020, 7.30 p.m.—9.00 p.m. Wednesday, 18th November 2020, 7.30 p.m.—9.00 p.m. Wednesday 9th December 2020, Special Remembrance event, 7.30 p.m.—9.00 p.m.

Due to the current HSE Guidelines it will be essential that everyone coming along will need to book their place. For more information contact

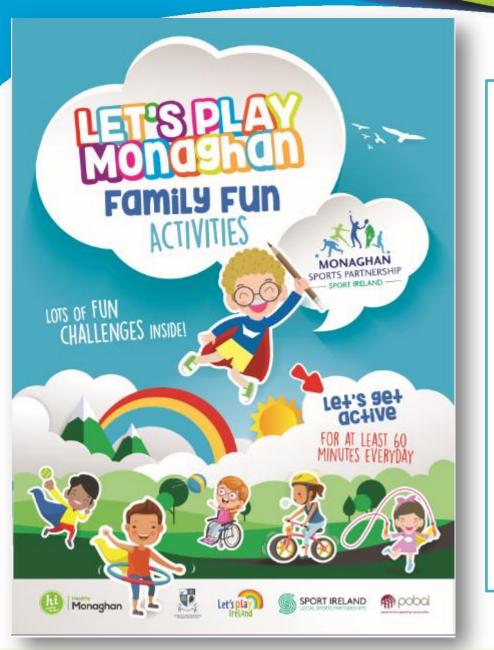
Programme Co-ordinator on 049 4336070 or 087 695 1865 or email: hleahy@ccld.ie



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Monaghan Sports Partnership in conjunction with partners have developed a Family Fun Games & Activities Booklet under an initiative called 'Let's Play Monaghan'. The booklet was funded through the Healthy Ireland Fund and provides a variety of games and activities for the family to play at home during this time of limited interactions. The games and activities chosen are adaptable to different age groups and abilities and encourage creative, imaginative, active, independent, group and social play.

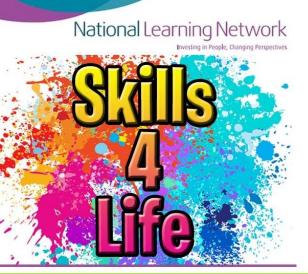
The printed booklet is accompanied by a play pack of equipment to encourage children to play and become more physically active through play and the packs will be distributed to targeted families in Monaghan. These packs were supported by funding from Healthy Ireland Fund and also funding from National Play Day.

The booklet will also be available for anyone to download <u>here</u>

For more information on Monaghan Sports Partnership visit <u>www.monaghansports.ie</u>

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#### Free training to National Learning Network help you get a job **Courses enrolling now:** Employer Based Training -Personalised supports students to acquire supports and practical skills with a company on-the-job in an area of their choice. training Fresh Start - an opportunity to make a new beginning and get back on track Contact us: monaghan@nln.ie 087-4595505 / 047-83671



#### Not sure what to do after Covid 19?

National Learning Network supports you to follow a learning journey that leads to QQI certification as well as the development of confidence, resilience and self-belief. We work with you to achieve your educational, vocational and personal goals. National Learning Network are here for you whenever you are ready to take the next step. Visit <u>www.nln.ie</u> to find out more National Learning Network can help you.

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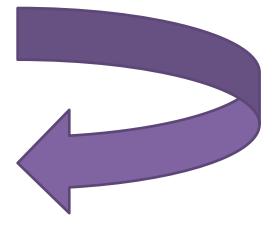
Supporting older people to age at home

## Befriending and Support Volunteers Wanted in Co. Monaghan

The ALONE Support & Befriending service provides companionship to older people who would like extra social contact through a weekly visit. Volunteers can also help with practical supports such as helping access information, filling out forms and with phone calls. The Support & Befriending service is designed to help alleviate the negative impacts loneliness has on mental and physical health. Find out more & apply online at https://bit.ly/3gObkvg

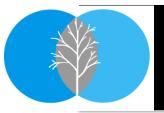


LATE NIGHT SOCCER RETURNS



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## **MONAGHAN INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT**

#### **Supporting Growth and Opportunity**

#### **Business Start-Up Supports for Unemployed Individuals**

MID are hosting a FREE on-line information session on the supports available to individuals who are considering self-employment as a career option. This information session is available to anyone in Co Monaghan in receipt of a social welfare Payment or currently unemployed due to the Covid-19 pandemic. To gain access to the information session you will need to download the Microsoft Teams App to your PC, Laptop or Phone in advance of the presentation

#### Please contact Margaret at mduffy@midl.ie or 042 9749500 to register for the information session

Date:

Time:

Tuesday 18th August 2020 11.00am

**Microsoft Teams** 

#### Platform:



Ireland's European Structural and **Investment Funds Programmes** 2014-2020

Co-funded by the Irish Government and the European Union

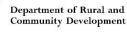


#### EUROPEAN UNION

SICAP 2018 - 2022

Investing in your future **European Social Fund** 







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Because childhood lasts a lifetime

#### SUPPORTING YOUR CHILD'S EMOTIONAL WELL-BEING ON THEIR RETURN TO EARLY LEARNING AND CARE

As Early Learning and Care settings reopen, you might be thinking about your child's return to preschool, childminder or crèche. You may be looking forward to getting back to some kind of normality, but for your child the many weeks on pause will have become their new normal. There might be worries and concerns about the return to childcare and early learning. Many families have experienced and continue to experience stressful events and situations that may have been physically exhausting and emotionally draining on all members of the family.

We know you want the best for your child. Below are some guidelines that may help you support your child through this important time.

#### Keep calm

When parents are feeling anxious, children can notice this and begin to feel stressed too. Take the time to check in with yourself. How are you currently feeling about your child's return to childcare? This may feel like quite a stressful time for many reasons. If these feelings are overwhelming, try pausing and taking a few deep breaths. If you can be mindful, and stay calm, you will be better able to remain connected to what your child's needs are and be more able to respond to them. When you are calm you are more able to see the reasons behind your child's behaviour and respond to the needs and feelings that are behind the behaviour. Ask yourself What is my child feeling? and What does my child need? Keep in tune with your own feelings and what you need too.

This is one simple exercise that you might find helpful:

- Pause
- Focus on your breath
- Breathe in slowly, right down into your tummy, then exhale completely
- Take 5 more slow breaths, being aware of each breath in and each breath out

After several of these breaths, you will find that your heart rate has slowed down, your breathing is deeper and you feel calmer. It will relax your body and allow you to feel calmer and think more clearly.

If possible, get support from your family and friends. Chat with other parents about how you and they are feeling. Try to keep up any hobbies or activities that bring you peace or that you enjoy. There are lots of great mindfulness resources and ideas on the internet that you might like to try. Having good, clear information and knowing what to expect can also help you to stay calm. You will find information and resources in the links at the end of this guide.



- For the full pdf document on supporting your child's transition to or back to preschool please click <u>here</u>
- Barnardos are offering a number of their childlinks and booklets as free ebooks including selecting a quality school age service for their child
- The quality of the school age service a child attends is extremely important. Research shows that it can impact on children's behaviour, their feelings and attitudes, their wellbeing, their learning and development, their school performance and their friendships and relationships.
- <u>This free ebook</u> will help parents to identify a quality school age service for their child that will enhance the child's wellbeing and support them to live to their full potential.



#### Available in Co's Donegal, Sligo, Leitrim, Cavan and Monaghan

#### Who is it for?

- Living Well is for you if:
- You are an adult (over18) living with a long-term health condition or with depression (it is common to be living with more than one such condition)

#### OR

 You are a carer for someone with a longterm health condition

To register for the <u>free programme</u> contact:

087 3314159

087 3964307

#### Examples of long-term health conditions are:

Diabetes	Multiple Sclerosis
Asthma	Parkinson's disease
COPD	Fibromyalgia
Heart conditions	Crohn's/colitis/IBS
Stroke	Depression
Etc	

The Programme teaches tools to manage these problems, whatever your health condition. These tools include:

Pain and fatigue management

Coping with difficult emotions and feelings of depression

**Relaxation and breathing techniques** 

Exercise appropriate to your ability

**Healthy eating** 

Managing medication Action planning and setting realistic goals Problem solving and decision making Communicating with family, friends and healthcare team

## CREATIVE FRIDAMS MASTERCLASS SERIES



A WEEKLY SERIES OF CREATIVE MASTERCLASSES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE - LIVE AT YOAM ON YOUTUBE EVERY FRIDAY ON THE CAVAN MONAGHAN CREATIVE CHANNEL!

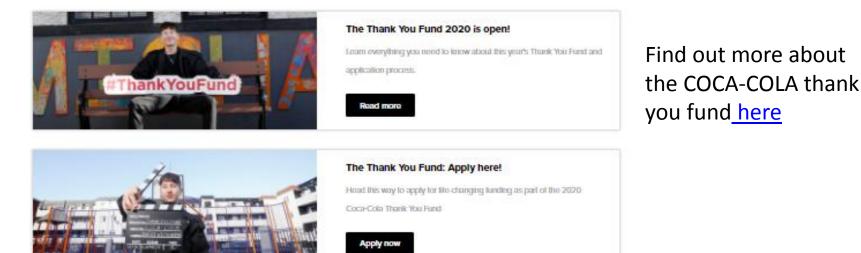


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### **Funding Opportunity**

### THANK YOU FUND

Every year, the Thank You Fund gives back to local Irish non-profit organisations, helping them fund projects that matter to their communties.



The Coca-Cola Thank You Fund 2020 applications now open

How To Apply To The Coca-Cola Thank You Fund

Coca-Cola Thank You Fund FAQs

Thank You Fund: The 2019 winners revealed!

### LGBTI+ YOUTH SERVICE GRANT SCHEME 2020

## **One-off Grants for LGBTI+ Youth Services**

Application Form available from youthservices@cmetb.ie or 049 4331044



Closing Date- 28th August 2020



An Roinn Leanaí agus Gnóthaí Óige Department of Children and Youth Affairs



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Cavan & Monaghan Rainbow Youth is an LGBT+ service for young people aged 12-24 years. Our LGBTi+ Youth Development Worker provides training, information and support to young people, caregivers, and educators. If you would like more information please call 0872193904, or email info@camry.ie.



Community groups will be given the opportunity to do a 3 minute pitch on their project idea and also exhibit a display of their ideas. The wider community will be invited to attend the Soup event and will vote and the group with the majority votes will be given a grant from SICAP (Social Inclusion Community Activation Programme). They will also be invited to give feedback on pitches and displays of ideas.

## Mental Health & Family Caring: Supporting the Supporters

A five week online programme for family carers and supporters of people with mental health challenges.

#### Explore:

Self-care, Mental Health & Recovery Concepts, Boundaries, Communication Techniques, Supports & Services

#### Morning or Afternoon Option Available

Morning: Weds, 11am to 1pm, 12th August – 9th September Closing date for registrations 29th July

Afternoon: Weds, 2pm – 4pm, 19th August – 16th September Closing date for registrations 5th August Family Carers Ireland are supporting requests for respite where possible for course participants. See registration page for more details

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Register using the Eventbrite link on www.familycarers.ie

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Participants can register here: https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/mentalhealth-family-caring-supporting-thesupporters-tickets-113378939460 For more information about the programme please contact training@mentalhealthireland.ie. Places are very limited so please consider if you are in a position to commit to the five weeks. If you cannot commit to the five weeks, please consider a shorter course or workshop with Family Carers Ireland. We currently run a short workshop Five Ways to Wellbeing during Tough *Times*. Please go to www.familycarers.ie to find out about other workshops and courses.

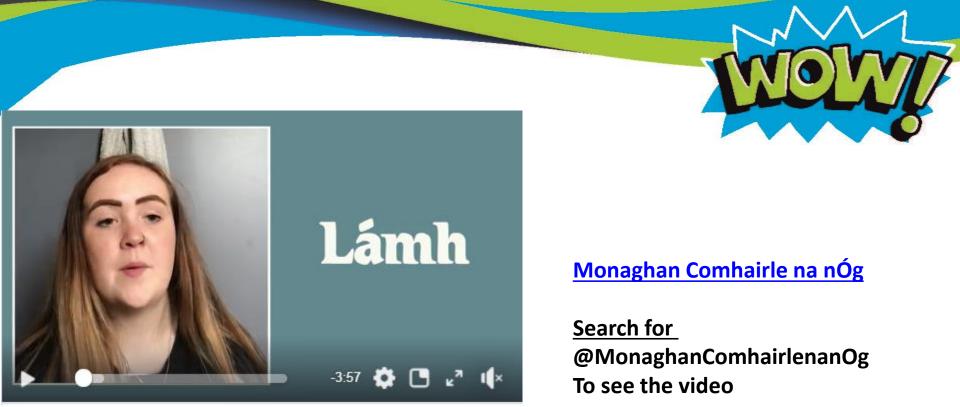


### **Mental Health Ireland**

- Mental Health Support's
- Cavan & Monaghan Mental Health Engagement & Recovery Communications Committee in collaboration with Mental Health Ireland host the Cavan Monaghan Wellbeing & Recovery Social Media pages. The pages are used to share local and national information related to services, supports and recovery oriented information.
- <u>Cavan—Monaghan Well Being</u> <u>Facebook Page</u>
- <u>Cavan—Monghan Well Being Twitter</u> <u>Page</u>
- Mental Health Ireland Website



- Sosad are continuing to offer support during the Covid 19 situation.
- They are available to contact by phone on Call 0429668992 0860459168
- 24 hours a day, 7 days per week.
- Email: sosadcarrick@gmail.com



This year, members of Monaghan Comhairle na nÓg have been working on the topic of Inclusion and disabilities. Over the course of 'Lockdown' members of the group took part in learning some Lámh, this is a "manual sign system used by children and adults with intellectual disability and communication needs in Ireland". The first half of the following video explains Lámh in more depth, the second half is a message for Lámh uses in Ireland

## If you would like to learn LÁMH

The Lámh Team are currently working remotely. Due to this, please note that there may be a delay in responding to general queries.

Thank you for your patience during this time.

FREE ACCESS TO LÁMH SIGNS ONLINE UNTIL 31 MAY 2020

EXTENDED UNTIL END OF AUG 2020 USE CODE:

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Please follow these steps to get free access to Lámh Signs Online: Go to www.lamhsigns.org Click on Apply for Membership Enter the code: lovelamh Fill in your name and email Check your emails to get the link to create your own password Login and see all signs. With the current STAY AT HOME measures in place, Lámh is offering free and open access to Lámh Signs Online until the end of August 2020. This resource has videos of all 580+ Lámh signs, including timely signs like Wash Hands, Space, Hot, Clean, and Doctor. #lovelamh #ShareTheLamh #LamhSignsOnline



Councillor Colm Carthy meeting Ruth Madden at Largy College, Clones - Ruth recently won the Gold Award in Physical and Engineering at the Hong Kong Global Youth Science and Technology Bowl. It was a great achievement for Ruth, her family, Largy College (well done to Sharon and her staff), Cavan & Monaghan ETB, Clones and the whole of Co. Monaghan and one that we should all be very proud of. Watch: Trauma and Transitions Webinar-Supporting Children and Young People in the Context of Covid-19 <u>here</u>



With thanks to Cliodhna Mahoney for sharing This webinar was co-hosted by Dublin City North CYPSC and Barnardos, to address some of the concerns for our young people in transitioning through phases of change and the impact of Covid-19. The keynote speakers and panellists included UK and Irish based psychotherapists, psychiatrist and trauma consultant. With grateful thanks to our speakers: Siobhán McGee, Christina Enright. Emerald Jane Turner, and Dr. Clare Short; and to Dublin City North CYPSC BOBF Programme Fund and Safe and Protected from Harm Subgroup for sponsoring the event.

#### Email to collette.deeney@tusla.ie

## Complete THE MONAGHAN QUEST



Now is the perfect time to discover the gems on your own doorstep, and Monaghan Tourism is giving you the incentive to do just that with the **Monaghan Quest**. Answer a series of questions covering heritage sites, outdoor spaces and attractions throughout the county and win prizes in the form of Town Vouchers for the town of your choice.

Visit <u>www.monaghantourism.com</u> for more information where information and quiz sheets can be found and downloaded.

Email to collette.deeney@tusla.ie

#### Message from Covid-19 Stakeholder Communications Support and updates



#### **Face coverings**

The importance of wearing face coverings came into sharp focus last week . By law you have to wear a face covering when you use public transport, and since Monday 10<sup>th</sup> August the wearing of face coverings has also mandatory in shops and shopping centres. With this in mind we thought it might be timely to share with you some simple messages you can help to pass on.

This <u>video</u> is a really great explainer for anyone looking for advice on how to wear a mask, you can click <u>here</u> for all of the up to date information on when a mask should be worn as well as lots of other helpful information.

Face coverings offer a higher level of protection from infection, however, face shields (including Perspex shield and similar) are acceptable forms of face coverings as they may be preferable for people with communications difficulties.

#### **Public Health Information:**

For the most up to date information and advice on Coronavirus, please go to: <u>https://www.gov.ie/en/campaigns/c36c85-covid-19-coronavirus/</u>, <u>https://www2.hse.ie/coronavirus/</u> and <u>https://www.hpsc.ie/a-z/respiratory/coronavirus/novelcoronavirus/</u> Clinical and professional guidance relating to COVID-19 is available on <u>http://www.hpsc.ie</u> where you'll find up to date guidance for healthcare settings and non-clinical settings.



Good Morning Monaghan is a free phone call service, which aims to provide security and friendship to elderly people living in Co. Monaghan. The service operates 5 days per week; Mon-Friday and our team of friendly callers are on hand to chat to members of the community who may need it.

#### Who is it for?

The service is available to:

Older people or individuals who may feel lonely, isolated and vulnerable.

People with chronic illness.

Anyone who cannot engage in an active way in the wider community.

#### How does it work?

Your friendly caller will chat to you about your day and will check on how you are feeling. You decide how often you wish to receive calls.

If you do not answer the phone after several attempts, the caller will phone a member of your family, neighbour or friend to check that you are ok.

If you need other services (such as grocery deliveries during the Covid-19 crisis, we will provide assistance to you on this).

#### How to apply

You can register by completing the below application form or contact Caoimhe ccrudden@midl.ie on or 0877189396

#### WOW publishes bi weekly to provide information for Monaghan services supports and communities

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Some friendly guidance to those who are submitting information to **WOW**:

- 1. Submit the information in the format you would like it to be included. We won't transform a word-heavy document into a flyer, please make it easy for us!
- 2. Less words, bigger pictures!
- 3. We do not advertise or endorse those events or programmes which are privately funded as a business.
- 4. Information will usually be included for x2 editions, unless requested or if your event takes place sooner.
- 5. WOW will be issued every fortnight. Please send your articles for inclusion by the Wed before publication
- 6. We may have to decline to advertise information which is not applicable to better outcomes for children and young people or is a private for profit enterprise .
- 7. Your feedback is welcome. (We are not perfect, but will strive to be as good as we can.)
- 8. Please let us know if WOW has helped your service, event or activity in any way.
- 9. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our members for their ongoing commitment and look forward to seeing you all when our related meetings and activities start up again.

#### Stay safe everyone 🙂

Get your service listed for free on our new website: www.cavanmonaghanservices.ie





## For more links to information& activities visit the Monaghan CYPSC website Page

https://www.cypsc.ie/local-resources/talking-about-covid-19-with-children-andyoung-people.3085.html

https://www.facebook.com/pg/CypscMon/posts/

Twitter@CypscMon to contact the CYPSC Coordinator <u>collette.deeney@tusla.ie</u> or 087 349 4714

