

Young People and **COVID-19**



Foróige asked young people all over Ireland how they feel about the COVID-19 pandemic and how they're coping.

Here's what they said.

NEW SAFETY MEASURES

Worrying overall about their family staying safe.

Young people are trying their best in a tough time for everyone.



Missing their older relatives and friends

They're happy to stay home and spend more time with their pets.

EDUCATION

Ongoing uncertainty and concern about exams is causing stress at home.



It's difficult to do schoolwork at home without the motivation of their teachers and classmates.

Learning something new on your own at home can be really hard.



They're worried being out of school for so long could affect their future.

MENTAL HEALTH

Young people feel anxiety and worry can take over when they're not active.



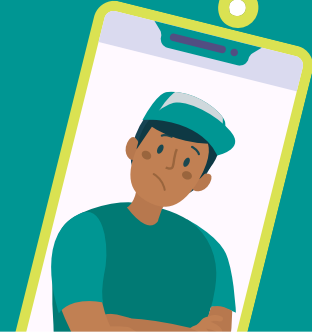
They're scared and confused and the lack of clarity they're being given isn't helping.

Loss of real face-to-face contact with friends is having a negative effect on home life.



TECHNOLOGY

Not everyone has access to a smartphone or laptop

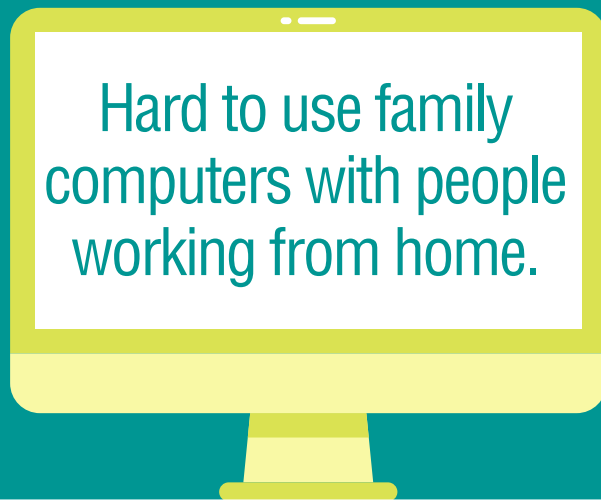


In some rural areas poor access to high-speed broadband wifi is making staying connected difficult.

The internet is really slow with everyone at home.



Hard to use family computers with people working from home.



ACCESS TO FORÓIGE



Really enjoying Foróige social media challenges.

Can't wait to return to their Foróige club or project safely when this is over.

Young people glad that Foróige staff and volunteers are still available for them online.



Sad to see Foróige events cancelled, but they understand why

