Lockdown Resource List For Parents and Carers

COVID/Mental Health Resources:

- About COVID and COVID testing: https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/covid-19/Pages/kids-resources.aspx
- How to get a mental health care plan: https://headspace.org.au/blog/how-to-get-a-mental-health-care-plan/
- Mental health care and Medicare: https://www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/individuals/subjects/whats-covered-medicare/mental-health-care-and-medicare
- This short vid provides a great explanation of the mental health continuum: https://youtu.be/ohpEsitFkDY
- The Australian Psychological Society has published information sheets to assist in managing the mental health impacts of lockdowns and pandemic exhaustion: https://www.psychology.org.au/for-the-public/Psychology-topics/COVID-19-Australians
- Russ Harris, Australian medical practitioner, psychotherapist and author, developed a framework at the start
 of the pandemic to assist in managing uncertainty and anxiety. The FACE framework has four practical steps,
 animated YouTube clip here: https://youtu.be/BmvNCdpHUYM
- Emerging Minds: https://emergingminds.com.au/resources/toolkits/supporting-childrens-mental-health-during-a-pandemic/
- Practical tips for dealing with home isolation for young people:
 https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/covid-19/communities-of-practice/Pages/guide-tips-home-isolation.aspx
- AH&MRC resources: https://www.ahmrc.org.au/coronavirus/
- SNSW Health Keep our Mob Safe: www.nsw.gov.au/resources-for-your-community/aboriginal-health
- Federation of Ethic Communities' Councils of Australia: http://fecca.org.au/coronavirus/
- Transcultural Mental Health Centre: https://www.dhi.health.nsw.gov.au/transcultural-mental-health-centre-tmhc/news-and-events/covid-19-and-culturally-diverse-communities
- WellMob: https://wellmob.org.au/ About COVID and COVID testing: https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/covid-19/Pages/kids-resources.aspx
- Digital Lunchbreak: https://www.digitallunchbreak.nsw.gov.au/
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Parenting Support:

- Resourcing Parents: http://www.resourcingparents.nsw.gov.au/
- Raising Children Network: https://raisingchildren.net.au/
- Benevolent Society Family & Parenting Support: https://www.benevolent.org.au/services-and-programs/family-parenting-support
- Relationships Australia Family Services: https://www.relationshipsnsw.org.au/support-services-category/family-relationships/
- Deadly Tots: http://deadlytots.com.au/
- Parentline NSW: https://kidshelpline.com.au/parents/issues/how-parentline-can-help-you
- Family Relationship Advice Line: https://www.familyrelationships.gov.au/talk-someone/advice-line
- Mensline Australia: https://mensline.org.au/
- Carer Gateway: https://www.carergateway.gov.au/
- MyTime: https://mytime.net.au/
- CatholicCare Parenting and Support: https://www.catholiccare.org/family-and-Individual-services/parenting-and-support/

Services:

- Studiosity (online tutoring service): https://www.newcastle.nsw.gov.au/library/connect/contact-us/follow-us/archived-news/studiosity-app-now-available!
- Beyond Blue: https://coronavirus.beyondblue.org.au/
- NSW Health: https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/how-to-protect-yourself-and-others/your-mental-health-and-wellbeing
- Black Dog digital tools and apps: https://www.blackdoginstitute.org.au/resources-support/digital-tools-apps/
- Patientinfo (go to Youth Mental Health, Getting Help for Mental Health Issues): http://www.patientinfo.org.au/
- Hunter New England and Central Coast Primary Health Network (HNECC PHN) Services: https://www.hneccphn.com.au/programs-resources/mental-health-services/
- headspace Newcastle: https://headspace.org.au/headspace-centres/newcastle/
- headspace Maitland: https://headspace.org.au/headspace-centres/maitland/
- MindHealth: https://mindhealth.org.au/
- Newcastle COVID-19 Emergency Relief Services: https://www.newcastle.nsw.gov.au/Newcastle/media/Documents/COVID-19/4129-COVID-19-Emergency-Relief-Services-V4.pdf
- Counselling and Support Services: https://www.esafety.gov.au/about-us/counselling-support-services
- Family Connect and Support: https://www.familyconnectsupport.dcj.nsw.gov.au/
- MindSpot offer a free online digital mental health clinic with information and support: https://mindspot.org.au/
- Lifeline is available 24/7 if you don't know who else to call they are a great place to start: https://www.lifeline.org.au/
- Referrals to the public mental health service (both child and adult) are made via the Mental Health Line on 1800 011 511.
- In a mental health emergency, call 000 or present to the emergency department at your nearest hospital.



