## Wellbeing Toolkit

Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire Clinical Commissioning Group

The Coronavirus pandemic is a very stressful time for everyone. This toolkit is designed to help you look after your mental & physical health during this difficult period. Tick any 3 boxes to start looking after yourself:

Sleep	<ul> <li>Fixed bedtime/wake-ups</li> <li>No screens 1 hour before bed</li> <li>Bedtime routine - read, bath or meditate</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Don't nap during the day</li> <li>Caffeine before midday only</li> <li>Eat evening meal early</li> </ul>
Move	<ul> <li>15 - 20 minutes per day</li> <li>Choose what you enjoy - dance/cycle/walk/run</li> <li>Outside is good but maintain social distance</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Workout with friends on Skype</li> <li>Make a shared exercise challenge with friends</li> <li>www.nhs.uk/live-well/exercise</li> <li>www.thebodycoach.com</li> </ul>
Eat	<ul> <li>Mediterranean Diet - fruit/nuts/veg/fish</li> <li>Omega 3 foods - mackerel/salmon/ flaxseeds</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Limit processed/fast food</li> <li>Minimise alcohol/sugar</li> <li>No recreational drugs</li> <li>www.nhs.uk/live-well/eat-well</li> </ul>
Relax	<ul> <li>Meditate 10 minutes a day</li> <li>Relax with yoga or music</li> <li>Do something creative</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Practise Mindfulness - <u>www.bemindful.co.uk</u></li> <li>Install "Headspace App"</li> <li>Install "Beat Panic App"</li> </ul>

We have to physically distance but we can be socially connected.

- Regular catch ups with friends & family via phone/internet
- □ Supportive relationships
- □ Wave & smile at neighbours
- □ Cherish family time
- Get to know work colleagues
- □ Write a journal including positive feelings/gratitude

- Limit information overload
- Switch off social media
- □ Check news 1x daily
- Share skills e.g. help someone use Skype while they teach you baking via Skype
- □ Install "WhatsApp"
- □ Install "Skype" or "Zoom"

Take the chance to reflect & think about positive steps for the future.

Purpose

Connect

- Discover what you love
- □ Break dreams into smaller goals
- $\square$  Be kind to yourself & others
- □ Plan your day & build routine
- □ Learn a new hobby- sketch, code, bake, sew, DIY, sort kitchen, spring-clean
- □ Volunteer
  - -www.goodsamapp.org/NHS -You can be a phone volunteer if housebound
- □ -Join local community Covid support groups e.g. Facebook
- □ Read/listen to a new book

We can't get out much but nature can still nurture us.

- Watch birds & animals from window/garden
- Get outside if possible
- □ Walk amongst trees

- Notice seasons changing
- Plant flowers & grow veg
- □ Notice your local surroundings

Ask for help when you need it. We all will at some point.



- **Council helplines:** Bristol - 0800 694 0184 www.bristol.gov.uk/crime-emergencies/coronavirus-covid-19-whatyou-need-to-know South Gloustershire beta.southglos.gov.uk/get-help-and-support-in-your-area/ North Somerset www.n-somerset.gov.uk/my-services/community-safety-crime/ emergency/north-somerset-together/where-to-get-support/ **Self-referral to psychology** – 0333 200 1893 www.vitahealthgroup.co.uk/nhs-services/nhs-mental-health/bristol-
- □ AWP 24/7 mental health response line for existing service users 0300 303 1320 www.awp.nhs.uk/advice-support/24-hour-support/

north-somerset-south-gloucestershire/self-refer/





