

# National Centre for Guidance in Education

**Guidance for All: Developing professional supports to meet the needs of  
Guidance Counsellors**



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# Focus of this presentation:

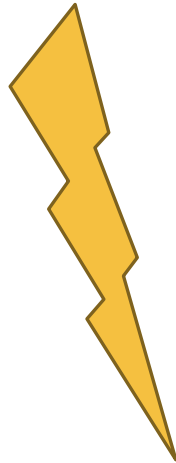


How NCGE engaged with **developing professional supports** to meet the needs of guidance counsellors - supporting the shift to working in the online space with young people.

# Events Impacting on Guidance for All



# Timeline



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**Developing professional supports to meet the needs of Guidance Counsellors: The transition to online support.**





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NCGE Published - Support Information for Guidance Counsellors in Schools (Covid-19 School Closures 2020)

Prerecorded video summarizing pertinent Department of Education Publications

Four live & interactive webinars from April 2020

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Webinar series starting in August  
(prior to schools returning)

Variety of topics (covid-related and  
non-covid related)

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Webinars continue



Face to face CPD in April and May  
2022

# A reflection: Prior to March 2020

2015:

**Telephone and Remote Platform Approaches to Career Development**

2016:

**Action-Oriented Hope-Centered Career Development**

**Career Matters: Evidence and Implications for Gender and Equality**

**Career Counselling: facilitating career learning and development**

2017:

**Developing a Mindful Approach in Guidance Counselling: Care for Self and Others**

2018:

**Striving for social justice: towards emancipatory guidance practices**

**GDPR considerations AEGI AGMS**

**An introduction to Technology Enhanced Guidance**



# Recorded Webinars 2022



An Roinn Oideachais  
Department of Education

[Applying to Higher Education from Further Education \(with CAO, IUA and HEI\)](#)

[Example of Whole School Guidance in Action: Curricular / non-Curricular Languages](#)

[Whole School Guidance: Focus on Transitions, Pathways and Opportunities](#)

[Guidance and Wellbeing](#)

[The application of Law within the role of the Guidance Counsellor](#)

[Threoir na Scoile Uile i nGaelcholáistí](#)

[External resources for Guidance Counsellors](#)

[Apprenticeships](#)

[Green Guidance at a Local Level](#)

[Guidance for Deaf People: starting a positive conversation](#)

[Review of the Academic Year: Reflections on Whole School Guidance Planning](#)



# Recorded Webinars 2021



An Roinn Oideachais  
Department of Education

[Working with students with intellectual disabilities](#)

['Settling Back In and Self Care for the Guidance Counsellor'](#)

['Whole School Guidance Provision - Examples of Good Practice'](#)

['Whole School Guidance and 'Looking At Our Schools' \(LAOS\)'](#)

['Guidance Related Learning for Junior Cycle' - Webinar 2](#)

['Understanding all aspects of QQI'](#)

['The Inclusion of Parents in Whole School Guidance \(Planning and Practice\)'](#)

['School Closures January 2021: Interactive Discussion on Digitalised Guidance'](#)



# Recorded Webinars Autumn 2020



An Roinn Oideachais  
Department of Education

- [Self-Care for the Guidance Counsellor \(slides\)](#)
- [Mobility in Europe & 'Access Europe' Resources](#)
- [Whole School Guidance Planning for academic year 2020/21](#)
- [EXTERNAL Resources for Guidance Counsellors](#)
- [Setting up a Network of Support](#)
- [NCGE / Euroguidance Resources for Guidance Counsellors](#)
- [Guidance Related Learning Resources for Junior Cycle - Webinar 1](#)
- [Supporting Outgoing Students \(the Leaving Certificate class of 2020\)](#)
- [An ABC of digitalised Guidance & links with pedagogy](#)
- [Guidance and Returning to School for Academic Year 2020-2021](#)
- [Getting Started in your new School: A webinar for newly qualified Guidance Counsellors](#)





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