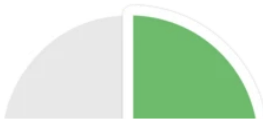


Adult Disability Day Services and COVID-19 What's Happening in July 2021?

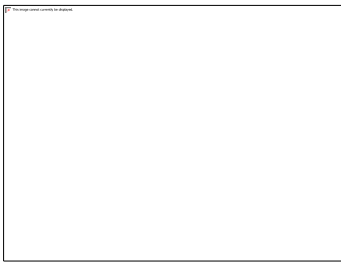


All service users that live at home with their families should be getting some of their day service back in their day service building.

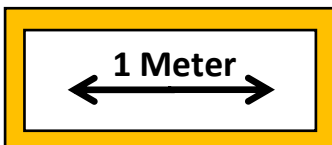


If you were getting 5 days a week of your day service before COVID-19, you should be getting 3 days a week of your day service in the day service building and some supports at home.

If you get day service support and residential support, some of your day service should be in your day service building again.



Over the next while, more and more of your day service support should happen in your day service building until all of your day service is back in the day service building.



The social distance we need to use in day services is 1 metre unless your manager tells you something different.



If you use transport from disability services to get to your day service, more people are now allowed back on the bus at the same time. If the bus seats 12 people it is now ok for 9 people to be on the bus.



9 out of 10 staff and service users in day services will have their vaccine at the end of July. This is nearly everyone and it means that lots of people are now safe from COVID-19 and services can open up more.



The HSE are going to update their advice to day services again in August because more people will be vaccinated and hopefully more services can be provided.



The next step will be that people can be supported to return to community services that are open again.



For further information and contact details for all day service locations you can look at the New Directions website at www.hse.ie/newdirections

COVID-19 National Public Health Guidance

Maintain Social Distancing • Hand Hygiene • Cough Etiquette • Personal Protection Equipment

Prevention

- Wash**
your hands well and often to avoid contamination
- Cover**
your mouth and nose with a tissue or sleeve when coughing or sneezing and discard used tissue
- Avoid**
touching eyes, nose, or mouth with unwashed hands
- Clean**
and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces