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RehabCare – Safeguarding Scenario



The following scenario is based on a Safeguarding Incident reported to our Safeguarding team by a Rehabcare service in Sligo, the name of the individual has been removed in order to protect their identity, for the purpose of this presentation the individual will be referred to as Star.

Individual – Brief Description





- Star is a young woman who lives at home with her parents. Star attends RehabCare Elevate Sligo with 10 other individuals. She is funded to attend service 5 days a week through HSE. Star is supported by staff to make informed decisions based on her choices and information collected. Star is supported by a Behavioural Therapy support plan and has a 'My Choice' document to aid her decision making.
- Star is an independent young women, who enjoys the company of others, especially staff and would prefer having staff with her when she is in the community, due to her feeling unsafe on her own. Star is very interested in Arts and Crafts, and is talented at making 'loom bands'



Safeguarding Concern



- On the 06th of September 2023, Star called the Gardai independently, from the Day Service to report that a male known to her was messaging her on Snapchat Social Media Platform the night before at her home, late into the evening. Star says the conversation led to him asking her if she wanted to see a picture of his penis. She said she did not want to see the picture and then proceeded to block him. Star did not consult staff or her parents before calling the Gardai and did not make any staff or family aware of the situation before calling the Gardai.
- The Gardaí would log the call, however, would not proceed with a formal report unless Star phoned back with further details of allegation. This was because of lack of information and clarity.
- This was explained to Star and her mother with Star's consent, and they were advised to phone 999 should they want an officer to come to the house to make a formal statement.
- A Preliminary Screening Form was submitted to Safeguarding based on the information given by Star and following the conversation with the Gardaí



Formal Notification



- Due to the nature of the alleged allegation and Safeguarding concern, local Designated Officer submitted a Formal Notification to An Garda Síochána in line with Safeguarding process
- However due to lack of evidence and lack of Formal statement the matter was closed, but Star and her family were made aware should they wish to make a formal statement to contact the Guards

RehabCare – Service Response – Safeguarding Plan





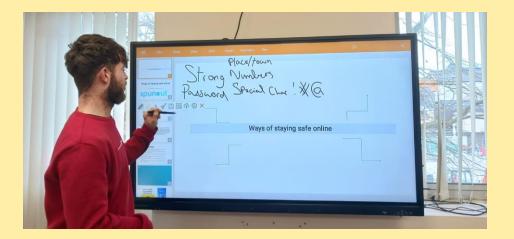


- As part of an overall Safeguarding Plan a programme was developed to encourage cyber safety and promote cyber wellness, while also highlighting dangers and risks associated with online content, websites and social media
- Learning and Education Phone and Social Media Safety and Awareness Programme was created by staff in Elevate for everyone to attends as a response to this Safeguarding concern
- I will now discuss the programme its Aims and objectives, Key points, useful resources and Session Plans.

Introduction to Programme

This initiative is designed to equip participants with essential skills and knowledge for navigating the digital landscape confidently and responsibly. In a series of engaging sessions, we explore various facets of social media, internet safety, and digital citizenship. From understanding different platforms to mastering privacy settings, and combating cyberbullying while being inclusive this program empowers participants to make informed choices in their online interactions.





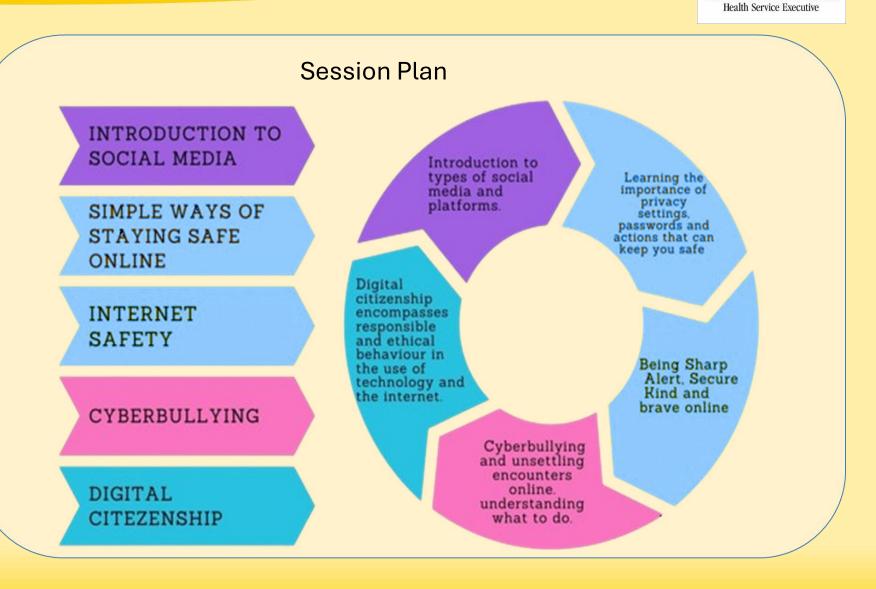








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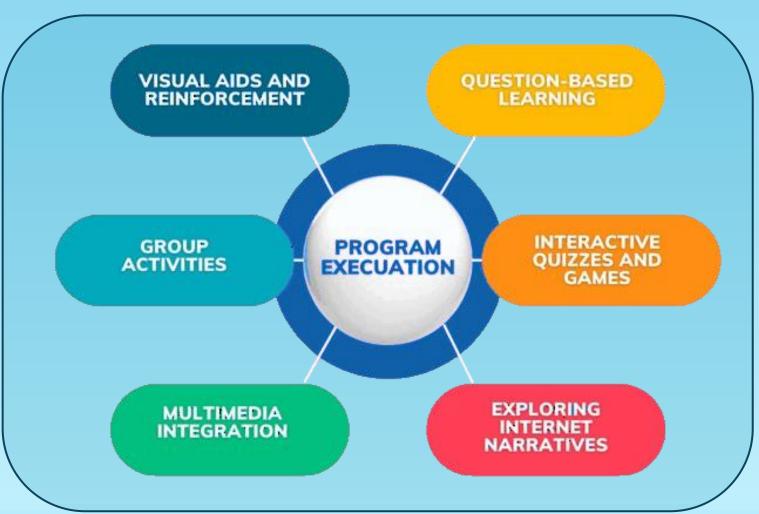
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Program Execution



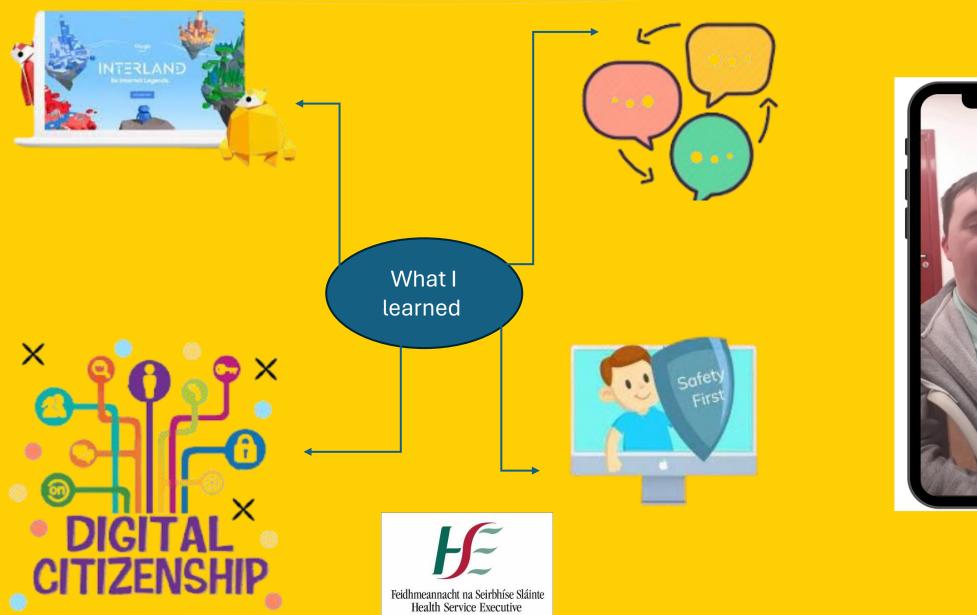
















"I helped to create the program as I had good knowledge on social media"





How I helped create the program















"I learned about online safety and passwords and settings"



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Improved Learning

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| Can social media apps track your location anywhere? | Quiz | O 100% | 2 Can social media apps track your location anywhere? | Quiz | 0 60% |
| Should you give out your birth date to strangers | Quiz | O 50% | 3 Should you give out your birth date to strangers | Quiz | 60% |
| What is catfishing? | Quiz | O 75% | 4 What is catfishing? | Quiz | 0100% |
| How long do posts stay on the internet? | Quiz | 0100% | 5 How long do posts stay on the internet? | Quiz | 0100% |
| Who is most affected by the dangers of social media the most? | Quiz | 0 % | 6 Who is most affected by the dangers of social media the most? | Quiz | 0100% |
| Should you make your passwords the same? | Quiz | 0 75% | 7 Should you make your passwords the same? | Quiz | 0100% |
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| 5 Should your account be public? | Quiz | O 50% | 10 Should your account be public? | Quiz | O 60% |
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| Can stores use apps to track location for advertisement? | Quiz | Q100% | 12 Can stores use apps to track location for advertisement? | Quiz | 0 80% |
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