

Support and resources for BAME Communities during COVID-19

This document lists information, sources of support and resources for Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic (BAME) communities during the Coronavirus (Covid-19) pandemic.

Resources

Oxfordshire information

Learner Engagement's 'We All Matter' termly newsletter includes a section entitled 'Celebrating Diversity: Visibility Matters – Updates and Useful Links'. This features resources and links for Black History Month which takes place every October.

<https://schools.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/content/racism-religion-and-culture>

The Government have translated the guidance for self-isolation and social distancing into several languages. The documents can be found here:

- <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance>
 - <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-guidance-on-social-distancing-and-for-vulnerable-people>
 - <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-review-of-disparities-in-risks-and-outcomes>
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Doctors of The World have also published COVID-19 guidance for patients in a number of languages (and continue to add more). The guidance is based on the government's advice and health information and was produced in partnership with the British Red Cross, Migrant Help and Clear Voice. The documents can be found [here](#).

Translated audio guidance on COVID-19 has been updated by **Doctors of the World** on their website <https://www.doctorsoftheworld.org.uk/coronavirus-information/>

A Guide on Coping Strategies in Anxious Times, produced by The Traumatic Stress Service in Bristol includes practical advice and translated into 13 languages.

<http://www.awp.nhs.uk/news-publications/publications/patient-information/translated/>

A resource on parenting during the Covid-19 pandemic, produced by The Parenting for Lifelong Health project is available in over 50 languages at covid19parenting.com

To **help children aged 6-11** cope with coronavirus, 50 humanitarian organisations have [produced a children's storybook](https://interagencystandingcommittee.org/iasc-reference-group-mental-health-and-psychosocial-support-emergency-settings/my-hero-you) available online and as an audiobook in 24 languages <https://interagencystandingcommittee.org/iasc-reference-group-mental-health-and-psychosocial-support-emergency-settings/my-hero-you>

Askdoc have produced short videos translating NHS England Covid-19 advice in various languages <http://askdoc.org.uk/events/covid-19/>

South Asian Health Foundation have a range of resources and links about Coronavirus in South Asian languages <https://www.sahf.org.uk/covid19>

Public Health England have information for migrants translated into different languages available to download <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/nhs-entitlements-migrant-health-guide#main-messages>

Race Equality Foundation has produced a blog with lots of useful information and resources <https://raceequalityfoundation.org.uk/health-care/coronavirus-information-and-resources/>

NACCOM have published guidance for hosting projects on how to best protect residents from the coronavirus. This includes guidance for shared house projects, housing projects (including guidance from Refugees at Home), night shelters (including guidance by Housing Justice) <https://naccomm.org.uk/naccomm-guidance-on-coronavirus-covid-19-for-members/>

MHCLG and **Public Health England** have also produced guidance for Covid-19 and hostel or day centre providers of services for people experiencing rough sleeping, which is available <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-guidance-on-services-for-people-experiencing-rough-sleeping/covid-19-guidance-for-hostel-or-day-centre-providers-of-services-for-people-experiencing-rough-sleeping#use-of-shared-spaces-when-individuals-who-live-with-others-in-hostels-are-required-to-stay-in-their-room>

Spark & Co have a Covid-19 resource hub for BAME communities <https://sparkandco.co.uk/>

Equally Yours (previously the Equality and Diversity Forum) have launched a one-stop information hub for policy-makers and the voluntary sector on Covid-19, equality and human rights. <https://www.equallyyours.org.uk/resources/the-equality-and-human-rights-impacts-of-covid-19/>

They also publish a fortnightly newsletter which brings together news, information and events relating to equality and social justice <https://mailchi.mp/equallyyours/april-2-2020-newsletter?e=4cfde3ce45>

Muslim Council of Britain (MCB) have produced lots of guidance and resources including advice for individuals and mosques and guidance from the National Burial Council. Visit their dedicated Coronavirus web page <https://mcb.org.uk/resources/coronavirus/>

You can also watch their weekly Community Briefings <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H4mzXv20b68&feature=youtu.be>

Information

The Ubele Initiative conducted two surveys between 19th March and 4th April. The initial findings have been published <https://static1.squarespace.com/static/58f9e592440243412051314a/t/5e7ca3f90a25f053ac3ddf73/1585226747384/impact+of+covid+bame+organisations+%28Phase+1+survey+report%29+25+March+2020.pdf>

The latest report can be found at <https://www.ubele.org/news/2020/4/30/9-out-of-10-bame-micro-and-small-organisations-set-to-close-if-the-crisis-continues-beyond-3-months-following-the-lockdown>

Women's Aid have issued safety advice for survivors <https://www.womensaid.org.uk/covid-19-coronavirus-safety-advice-for-survivors/>

To access a range of thought-provoking educational resources that support the delivery of outstanding SMSC, British Values, and Prevent (including recent additions on BLM), go to: <https://votesforschools.com>

Charity So White have published a position paper giving an overview of risks and impact of Covid-19 on racial inequalities within the UK and gives recommendations for civil society and its funders to help address the issues. Read the paper <https://charitysowhite.org/covid19>

Muslim Council of Britain (MCB)

They have published guidance on the phased re-opening of mosques <https://mcb.org.uk/press-releases/preparing-for-phased-reopening-discussion-guidelines-launched/>

NHS have produced health and wellbeing guidance for staff on COVID-19 & Ramadan. This was produced by the NHS Islamic Network in collaboration with the British Islamic Medical Association, that represents over 3,000 Muslim clinicians across the UK <https://people.nhs.uk/guides/covid-19-and-ramadan/>

The Institute for Fiscal Studies (IFS) have published a report exploring whether some ethnic groups are more vulnerable to Covid-19 than others <https://www.ifs.org.uk/inequality/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/Are-some-ethnic-groups-more-vulnerable-to-COVID-19-than-others-IFS-Briefing-Note.pdf>

Please note that this is a fast-changing situation and although this page is up to date as published, the information may change.

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