

## Screen time and your child's mental health.

Screens can be good for learning and can help children stay connected to family and friends, but did you know that too much screen time may increase the risk of poor mental health? Children who spend too much time on screens may seem:

- · lonely, sad, withdrawn
- · stressed, nervous, agitated
- · aggressive, angry

## As parents and caregivers, it is important to model appropriate screen use.

Encourage balance through a variety of screen-free activities:



Outdoor play



Reading





Face-to-face interactions



Setting limits and establishing healthy screen time habits as a family, can help lessen negative effects now and in the future.

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