A STUDY TO ASSESS THE ANXIETY DUE TO PANDEMIC AMONG ADOLESCENCE AT SELECTED COLLEGE, DEHRADUN

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Abstract

Adolescents are a vulnerable group and they are experiencing a time of difficult transition. The Pandemic outbreak and lockdown may have multiple consequences on the lives of adolescents, chronic and acute stress, worry for their families, unexpected bereavement, sudden school break, and home confinement in many countries, increased time of access to the internet and social media, worry for the economic future of their family and country. In the current situation, anxiety can cause rumination, a sense of impending doom, helplessness and over focusing on news, which can provoke more anxiety. Establish a new routine, stay connected virtually, practice self-care habits, look for the good, exercise, meditate, reach out these are some healthy ways to cope up with anxiety during pandemic.

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