



## NACCW has taken its **VIRTUAL CONNECTION INITIATIVE** to five provinces

**Northern Cape | Western Cape  
Free State | KwaZulu-Natal | Gauteng**

The initiative connects CYCWs, mentors and other programme staff to children through phone calls, texts and WhatsApp groups.



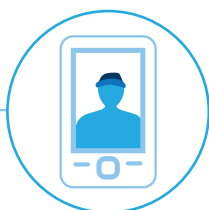
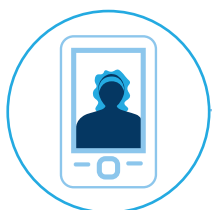
**27**  
Mentors



In just five weeks, the mentor team of 27 people have logged 3,257 calls to children and youth.



**1,500**  
Children & Youth



So far, **114 virtual groups** have been created with more than **1,000 children and youth**.

Since the lockdown, **1,424 virtual group sessions** have been done reaching these **1,000 children** at **13,802 different times**.

### The activities include

- Informing them of the covid-19
- Reminding them of good hygiene practices
- Doing a child protection/safety check-in
- Reminding them to focus on their school work
- Study sessions/other educational support
- Grade 12 support groups
- Reading groups
- Debates
- Vhutshilo sessions
- Poetry, chess, musical activities
- Discussions on social issues: such as gender-based violence and substance abuse
- Other fun activities that can be done in their homes.



**The Isibindi Ezikoleni Free State and KwaZulu-Natal team** also receives assistance from educators for the virtual study sessions. Educators help explain complex problems and theories and refer learners to educational material.