

CHILDLINE NEWSLETTER



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World Hand Hygiene Day



The World Health Organization (WHO) celebrates Hand Hygiene Day on 5th May each year. The main purpose of this initiative is to encourage people around the world to practice appropriate hand hygiene, especially those in health care facilities, to protect patients and health care workers from infections.

“SAVE LIVES: Clean your hands”, the theme for the year 2020, is aligned with the Year of the Nurses and the Midwives, and aims to acknowledge their role in the prevention of infections. The campaign also appeals to policy makers of every nation to provide safe working environments for nurses and other frontline workers, as well as improve staffing.

In the wake of ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, this day seems all the more relevant. It is extremely important for all of us to recognize that washing hands regularly for 20-30 seconds is crucial to preventing the spread of infections, like the Coronavirus.

CHILDLINE 1098 is playing a critical role in promoting hand hygiene among children and adults across India. CHILDLINE teams are demonstrating the correct method of hand washing to communities as part of their outreach activities.

The objective is to make hand hygiene a priority and inspire people to take it seriously.

You too can join hands with CHILDLINE 1098 to promote Hand Hygiene Day by washing your hands regularly and encouraging people in your family and community to maintain proper hand hygiene.

If you want to support CHILDLINE's COVID-19 response, do consider donating emergency relief supplies including food, hygiene kits and sanitizers. Reach us on donations@childlineindia.org.in to take this forward.



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