

# Electronics and Adolescent Wellness

Adolescence is a time of social, cognitive, and emotional growth. The rapid rise of technology presents a unique challenge to teenagers and those responsible for their care. Electronics use (Online videos, texting, social media, video games, streaming TV shows/movies, etc.) creates an environment that can both enrich and hinder healthy development. Participants in this webinar will be provided with a review of the current state of knowledge, as it relates to the impact of electronics use on adolescent wellness. Topics addressed will include the relationship of electronics to academic performance, sleep, mental health, the developing brain, and safety. Throughout the webinar, feedback will be provided on ways to keep adolescents connected in a way that promotes a healthy and balanced lifestyle.

**Target Audience**  
Psychologists      Social Workers      Counselors  
Therapists      Psychiatrists      Nurses  
Course level: Intermediate

## Learning Objectives

- At the end of this seminar, participants will be able to:
1. Explain the impact of electronics use on sleep.
  2. Identify at least 5 ways help teens maintain digital health.
  3. Identify at least 2 ways that brain function/development relates to problematic electronics use.
  4. Explain the current state of research on the impact of electronics on mental health.
  5. Explain how electronics can both benefit and hinder academic performance.

## Seminar Schedule

Typically begins at 4 PM and ends at 6 PM Eastern time. However, check the webinar schedule.

## Outline

Begin 4 PM ET  
Survey Data  
Pros and Cons  
Brain Development  
Cyberbullying  
Predators  
Safety Issues  
Sleep  
Academics  
Gaming  
Health  
Driving  
End 6 PM ET

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## The Presenter

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