

I hope you are all keeping well. I wanted to share with you a range of resources that may be useful during this difficult time. Firstly, an online ESOL training has been offered to the network free of charge. Please see the details below, which you can send out to as many people as you wish. It is aimed at children but adults working with their children or on their own have found this a great resource.

Anyone interested should email hello@littlebridge.com. Please use the reference: 'English Language Support' and 'Home Office' to help them with an efficient triage. Littlebridge will then set up a free account and offer free online training, if requested.

There are also some useful links for adults to improve their English and keep learning whilst social distancing. If you are interested, please use this link

As we are going through these uncertain times, we would like to share with you the <u>Coronavirus (Covid 19) advice</u> for patients in 21 languages, which were produced in partnership with the British Red Cross, Migrant Help and Clear Voice: English, Albanian, Dari, French, Pashto, Portuguese, Bengali, Vietnamese, Kurdish Sorani is available at the moment, but more languages coming soon: Mandarin, Hindi, Urdu, Arabic, Spanish, Portuguese, Malayalam, Turkish, Farsi, Amharic, Tigrinya, Somali.

If you or your organisation have any other suggestions or ideas of how to continue to support refugees on their journey to work in these unprecedented times please let our new Network Co-ordinator Zeinab Aboutak zeinab@refugeeemploymentnetwork.co.uk know and we can share with the network.

Wishing everyone a safe time.

Best wishes

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