

Parent-adolescent Conflict during the COVID-19 Pandemic

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ABSTRACT In Vietnam, schools and businesses had to temporarily close due to the severity of the COVID-19 outbreak. As a result, many families encountered financial difficulties, health issues, and a lack of social and physical activities, all of which negatively impacted adolescents' mental and emotional health. This study attempts to comprehend better the psychological problems between adolescents and their parents in Vietnam, during the COVID-19 outbreak. Between June and July 2021, 239 adolescents were evaluated using the Issues Checklist Scale for a sociological survey. The findings indicate that the social separation policy causes conflict between adolescents and their parents. Home responsibilities and privileges, social life, and friendships are the points of contention between adolescents and their parents. During the COVID-19 pandemic, when the social distance policy was implemented, 13- and 14-year-olds were more prone to dispute with their parents than 11- and 12-year-olds.