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# COVID-19 PLAN FOR SICK CHILDREN & ADULTS WITH POSSIBLE COVID-19 OR EXPOSURE TO COVID-19 - Revised June, 2023

#### CHILDREN

If a child begins to experience symptoms of COVID -19 while attending day care following plan will be implemented:

- Physical distance the child from others their group. Open doors or windows to increase air circulation. The isolation space is thoroughly disinfected after the child is picked up.
- Have hand sanitizer and tissues available. If necessary, the worker may need additional PPE such a gown and gloves.
- If the child is very ill, call 911 and inform the operator that it is a possible case of COVID-19.
- Notify the parents to come and pick up the child.
- Parents can pick up rapid tests kits at the centre and are instructed to follow the <u>Management of Cases and Contacts of CVID-19 in Ontario (March,2023 version)</u> document regarding symptoms, medical advice, testing, and isolation procedures with either a positive or negative result.
  - Heath.gov.on.ca/en/pro/programs/publichealth/coronavirus/doc/contact\_m ngmt/management\_cases\_contacts.pdf
- Rapid test kits come with instructions and a letter from the Ministry of Heath regarding usage. Note: individuals do not need to provide a medical note or proof of negative result to return to the program.



### **ADULTS (Educators)**

If an adult begins to experience symptoms of COVID-19 while at child care, the following plan will be implemented:

- The adult will don a mask, to protect those in the area.
- The adult will inform the RECE Lead or executive director and remove themselves from the children and any other adults (if applicable) as soon as possible while ensuring the children are supervised at all times.
- Coverage for the worker will be arranged as quickly as possible to allow the sick worker to leave the premises by the most direct route.
- Symptomatic workers can use their rapid test kits at home and follow the Ministry of Health Management of Cases and Contacts of COVID-19 in Ontario.

#### REPORTING

- If absenteeism of both workers and/or children rise approximately to 30% above normal absenteeism, the centre will report the illness to HKPR Health Unit for further instructions.
- Families will be notified via eblast with information from the local medical officer of health, on public health measures for families, staff/providers to follow.
- Important: The identity of the individuals is protected by privacy legislation and cannot be shared.