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Dear Provider,

If you are providing Emergency Child Care, you are required to follow the safety procedures and guidance developed by the Early Learning Division in partnership with the Oregon Health Authority. **Updated guidance was released today for child care settings to manage the spread of COVID-19.** You are required to follow the new procedures outlined in the two attached documents (also linked below):

- [COVID-19 Sanitation Recommendations and Cleaning Schedule for Emergency Child Care Settings](#)
- [Updated Safety Procedures and Guidance for Child Care Facilities Operating During COVID-19](#)

Some of the updates covered in the requirements include:

- Procedures for cleaning surfaces, toys and linens
- Social distancing and ratios in child care
- Screening for symptoms
- Procedures to follow if someone is sick

Additionally, early educators who are laid off or are interested in becoming an emergency child care worker during this state of emergency, can sign up at this [link](#) to provide assistance as a staff or substitute to other Emergency Child Care facilities.

A final reminder – **today is the deadline to submit an application to operate Emergency Child Care.** You can apply online [here](#).

Thank you for your continued work to support children and families at this time.

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