Agenda

- Welcome!
- COVID-19 and Child Care
- Guidance
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Child Care Guidance

• Applies to counties in Phase 1 and Phase 0
• Focus on public health to keep providers, children, and families safe
• Providers can remain closed or re-open as Emergency Child Care
COVID-19 and Child Care Safety

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What is the biggest barrier to reopening your program (n=893*)?

- Affording reduced groups: 27%
- Supplies & PPE: 7%
- Finding staff: 5%
- Finding enough families: 12%
- Health & Safety Concerns: 49%

*Excludes respondents who selected still providing care
Guidance Across 3 Documents

Specific Guidance for Child Care Sector

Emergency Child Care Approval Required:

Licensed Child Care and emergency programs are still required to be approved by the Office of Child Care to operate as Emergency Child Care. Providers must follow the health and safety framework developed by the state and Early Learning Division, as adjusted by this guidance.

Group Size and Ratios

Child care facilities are required to:

- Limit the number of children in rooms:
  - Regulated Family (RF) may have one group of up to 15 children.
  - Of the 10 total children, there may be no more than six children ages prekindergarten and younger and, of these six, no more than two children under 24 months.
  - Certified Family (CF) may have two stable groups of up to 10 children in separate areas of the home and no more than 10 children total. Each group of children must be in a space that meets the minimum of 35 square feet per child. Each group of children must meet staff/child ratios as defined in Oregon Administrative Rule 945-010-0001, found within the Certified Child Care Rules (page 26).
  - Certified Center (CC) may have one stable group of up to 10 children per classroom. Large rooms may be divided into two rooms with the approval of a child care license specialist. See Child Care COVID-19 Safety Requirements.

Sanitation

COVID-19 Sanitation Recommendations and Cleaning Schedule for Emergency Child Care Settings

Purpose

This guidance provides recommendations on the cleaning and disinfection of rooms or areas used for Emergency Child Care and is based on CDC recommendations for rooms and areas used by individuals with suspected or confirmed COVID-19 cases. It is aimed at limiting the survival of most coronaviruses in key environments. These recommendations will be updated if additional information becomes available.

How to Clean and Disinfect

Surfaces

- Wear disposable gloves.
- If surfaces are dirty, they should be cleaned using a detergent or soap and water prior to disinfection.
Highlight 1: Stable Group Size Flexibility

Allows for 12 children in a stable group, with only 10 present at any one time. This allows for “swapping” of children between two slots within the group.
Highlight 2: Who Programs Can Serve

Allows programs to serve families returning to work as phased reopening begins in addition to existing requirement to prioritize essential workers.
Highlight 3: Length of Exclusion for Sickness

Increased time of exclusion for symptomatic children and adults to a minimum of 10 days and kept in place the 72 hour symptom-free requirement.
Highlight 4: Temperature Checks

No longer required to take each child and adult’s temperature before entry and allow adults to attest that neither they nor a child has a fever.

Decreased the temperature of fever for exclusion to at or above 100.4 degrees.
Highlight 5: Sanitation and PPE

Clarifies that floaters and staff conducting health checks should wear a mask

Encourages wearing multiple layers to change in between interacting with different groups of children

Gloves still required while cleaning
Added requirements for recordkeeping to support contact tracing (i.e., figuring out who a sick person came into contact with in the past several weeks)
Supplies

Distributed over 3,600 orders of supplies across the state
National Guard winding down at the end of the month
Exploring other ways to help providers purchase in bulk
CARES Act Funding

Received 2,012 applications for Round 1
Working on Round 2
Committed to providing fund to help providers re-open
Question and Answer

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