

CHILDCARE GUIDANCE

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As the community moves through phased risk guidance, we encourage you to continue to implement protective measures to slow the spread of COVID-19 in our community. We understand that each facility is unique and operates under different circumstances. The guidance does not address every situation. Adaptation may be needed for your setting. Please work with your employees and patrons to implement the following:

PHYSICAL DISTANCING

- Encourage children to be 6 feet apart as much as possible
- Children from the same household are kept in the same group whenever possible
- Limit mixing the groups of children (e.g., keep in separate rooms, allow on the playground at different times)
- Separate bedding/pads when napping
- Do not allow visitors at the facility
- For facilities overseen by childcare licensing, follow childcare licensing instructions for ratios, group sizes, and approved capacity

CLEANING & HYGIENE

- Enhanced cleaning and disinfecting
- Clean and disinfect all high-touch surfaces regularly (e.g., door knobs, light switches, keyboards, desks, remote controls, handles, and countertops)
- Do not use toys that can't be washed or disinfected
- Follow any other standards recommended by Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Utah Department of Health, and Davis County Health Department

STAFF & CHILD PROTECTION

- Children and staff should stay home if they are sick
- ALL INDIVIDUALS must wash hands with soap and running water upon arrival
- Prohibit employees who have been instructed to isolate or quarantine from working until given health department clearance
- Staff who develop COVID-19 symptoms or get sick while at work should be separated from others immediately and sent home; immediately clean and disinfect areas the sick employee visited
- Children and staff are screened for symptoms (checklist or verbal), including temperature checks when feasible.
- Plan for illness, determine how you will isolate sick children prior to being picked up by guardian
- Prepare for staff absenteeism
- Update emergency communication plan and contact information
- If there is a confirmed case, the facility must be closed, alert the Davis County Health Department at: 801-525-5200
- The provider must restrict offsite activities to places or environments where physical distancing & proper cleaning practices can be controlled
- When handling food, follow Food Establishment or Restaurant Guidance

Thank you for your patience and cooperation during this COVID-19 pandemic.
Feel free to contact the Davis County Health Department with any questions at 801-525-5128.