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**Pandemic Health Agreement and Illness Policy**

*We do not recommend that children with any underlying health concerns attend childcare programs during the COVID-19 pandemic. If a child displays any of the below symptoms, they will be isolated until they can be picked up from the center by the Parent/Guardian or Emergency Contact.*

This Pandemic Health Policy is an amendment dated to begin as of October 1, 2020 based on guidelines from the BCCDC and will be used in conjunction with the existing Creative Kids Illness policy.

**DAILY COVID SCREENING SYMPTOMS**

<b>Key Symptoms of Illness</b>	<b>Fever of 38 degrees Celsius or higher</b>
	<b>Chills</b>
	<b>Cough or worsening of chronic cough</b>
	<b>Breathing Difficulties (breathing fast or working hard to breathe)</b>
	<b>Loss of sense of smell and/or taste</b>
	<b>Diarrhea</b>
	<b>Nausea and Vomiting</b>
Travel	Children, or children with others living in the same home, who have just returned from international or interprovince travel via commercial transportation.
Contact	Are you a confirmed contact of a person confirmed to have COVID-19

If you answered **“YES” to two or more** of the questions included under ‘Key Symptoms of Illness’, or your child has a fever or difficulty breathing, seek a \*health assessment. If a health assessment is required, you should not return to the child care setting until COVID-19 has been excluded and the symptoms have considerably improved.

If you answered **“YES” to only one of the questions** included under ‘Key Symptoms of Illness’ (excluding fever and difficulty breathing), you should stay away from the child care setting for **\*\*24 hours from when the symptoms were identified**. If the symptoms considerably improve, you may return to a child care facility in compliance with the illness policy and symptoms have considerably improved.. **If the symptoms persist or worsen, seek a \*health assessment.**

**\*A health assessment includes calling 8-1-1, or a primary care provider like a physician or nurse practitioner.**

If you answered **“YES” to the International Travel or Contact questions**, use the COVID-19 Self-Assessment Tool to determine if you should seek testing for COVID-19. If a COVID-19 test is recommended as a result of the \*health assessment, self-isolate while waiting for results

- If the COVID-19 test is positive, self-isolate and follow the direction of public health.
- If the COVID-19 test is negative, return to the child care facility in compliance with the illness policy
- If a COVID-19 test is recommended but not done, self-isolate for 10 days after the onset of symptoms and return to care in compliance with the illness policy. If a COVID-19 test is not recommended, children may return to care in compliance with the illness policy.



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**CREATIVE KIDS ILLNESS POLICY FOR ILLNESSES NOT RELATED TO COVID-19.**

Staying home when sick is one of the most important ways to reduce the spread of communicable diseases. This is why, it is important for anyone who is sick to stay home. If your child is ill, please do not send him/her to the child care setting. Parents/guardians will be asked to sign the attached agreement confirming and acknowledging they will comply to the Illness Policy and **that their child has not been given acetaminophen or ibuprofen before they attend, (these medications will mask a fever which is a key symptom of COVID-19.)**

We realize it is often upsetting to the child to stay at home on a school day, but at this age, illnesses are so easily transferred among children. If your child will be away, please call or email the teachers to let them know. Ensure your child's immunizations are up to date before entering child care or informing us if you have decided not to have your child immunized. In addition, we must know within 24 hours if your child has been in contact with a contagious illness or disease.

If a child becomes sick while at the center, he/she needs to be picked up as soon as possible by the parent or the emergency contact. Children are required to stay away from the child care setting under the following conditions:

Symptom	May Return to Care
Infected skin, eyes or undiagnosed rash	May return free of symptoms.
Severe itching of body and scalp or Head Lice	
Any Contagious Disease (Eg. Chicken Pox, Measles, Mumps, Hand Foot & Mouth, Impetigo)	
Continuous Runny Nose, Clear or Discoloured (*continuous refers to being wiped or blown multiple times within every 15 mins)	Stay home for <b>**24 hours from when the symptoms were identified.</b>  You may return to care when symptoms have considerably improved.  <b>If the symptom persists or worsens, seek a *health assessment.</b>
Cold/Flu-Like Symptoms (such as sneezing, nasal congestion, watery eyes)	
Sore Throat, Trouble Swallowing	
Sinus Congestion	
Fatigue, Aches, Headache, Stiff Neck	

**\*A health assessment includes calling 8-1-1, or a primary care provider like a physician or nurse practitioner.**

**\*\*Please note, 24 hours refers to one full care day after the day of identified symptoms. Eg. Symptoms identified at 10am Tuesday, the child should remain away from care on Wednesday and may return on Thursday if symptoms have considerably improved.**

*A Pandemic Health agreement must be signed and abided by in order for Creative Kids Learning Centers to safely provide care. This amendment will be attached if a Previous version of the agreement has been signed.*



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## Creative Kids Learning Centers Pandemic Health and Illness Policy Agreement

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (parent/guardian name) confirm that I **will NOT send my child**

to care at Creative Kids if my child \_\_\_\_\_ (child's name):

- has a temperature of 38 degrees Celsius or higher
- has been given any fever reducing medications (eg. acetaminophen, ibuprofen) for any reason (including teething)
- has ANY symptoms or conditions outlined in the Pandemic Health and Illness Policy
- has been in contact with anyone in the household that has tested positive to COVID-19 in the last 14 days
- travelled internationally or inter-province via commercial means in the last 14 days or lives with a family member that has

I understand and fully comply with the Creative Kids Pandemic Health and Illness Policy and its guidelines provided. I also understand that if Creative Kids does not receive Government Emergency Funding, I will not be refunded or credited for time missed due to illness, quarantine or self isolation

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_