

How to

Watch for Coronavirus symptoms



Know how to identify Coronavirus symptoms

The **MAIN SYMPTOMS** are:

- fever
- cough
- difficulty breathing

OTHER SYMPTOMS include:

- sore throat
- loss of taste or smell
- muscle pain



Know what to do

IF YOU HAVE SYMPTOMS

- Stay at home and rest.
- If the ECD programme is run from your home or you are the only practitioner, call all parents to let them know your programme is closed.
- Only re-open your programme when a doctor advises it is safe to do so.

DAILY SCREENING

- Use the screening checklist to screen all children and staff for symptoms at the start of **EVERY** session.
- If a child or staff member has **ANY** symptoms do not let them come into your programme.

CONFIRMED CASES

- If you, a staff member or a child has a positive test result for Coronavirus, let all parents know straight away.
- Clean your programme thoroughly using a cleaning agent that kills germs (such as bleach).
- Contact the provincial Department of Social Development for advice on whether you should close your programme.

WATCHING FOR SYMPTOMS

- If a child develops symptoms during the day, separate them from others, give them a mask to wear and call their parent to collect them.
- If a staff member develops symptoms, send them home straight away.
- Thoroughly clean any areas and surfaces that anyone with symptoms had contact with, and let all parents know that day.
- Do not allow anyone with symptoms to return to your programme unless they have a doctor's letter or evidence of a negative test for Coronavirus.

Remember, anyone with symptoms should stay at home with their household, and call the nearest clinic or the Emergency Hotline on

0800 029 999

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