



Don't Let Your Guard Down Yet.



Childcare

Employers are required to protect their workers from COVID-19 by:

- Implementing an effective social distancing plan in the workplace, providing six feet of space in between workers;
- Ensuring frequent and adequate hand washing;
- Increasing the cleaning and sanitizing of commonly touched surfaces
- Providing education to workers about coronavirus and how to prevent transmission in the *language they understand*;
- Isolating sick workers by making sure sick employees stay home or go home; and
- Establishing procedures for reporting a suspected or confirmed case.

The **childcare staff must wear face coverings, and children aged two and older should wear them as well**, especially when indoors or when a distance of six feet from others cannot be maintained.

- Introduce fresh air as much as possible by opening windows or use a thermostat setting that brings in fresh air;
- Designate a container for toys that have been used and disinfect them before returning to classroom;
- Create arrival procedures such as having parents wash their hands and their child's hands;
- Keep drop offs and pick ups as brief as possible;
- For nap time, place mats six feet apart, alternating children's heads and feet from one another
- Create a schedule to clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces such as toilet handles, doorknobs, counters, and tables; and
- Implement strict handwashing guidelines for staff and children, singing a song for 20 seconds, rubbing vigorously with soap.