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A quick guide to:

The quarantine process

PHYSICAL SPACE

- Your programme must have an isolation space to serve as a separate, sanitised sick-room where staff or learners with suspected COVID-19 symptoms can be quarantined (see Symptoms).
- Your programme must be equipped with a basic first aid kit, including rubber gloves.





HYGIENE

Child with COVID-19 symptoms:

- If a child has symptoms of COVID-19 (see Symptoms), the child must be quarantined in your sanitised sick-room (see Preparation) and must be attended by a staff member qualified in first aid, to take care of the child.
- The above procedure must be followed for a child who has symptoms on entry to your programme or who displays symptoms during the day.
- The carer and child must wear face masks at all times.



- **COMMUNICATION:** Parents must be informed to take the child home for 14 days of quarantine.

Staff member with COVID-19 symptoms:

- If a staff member has who has entered your programme displays symptoms of COVID-19 (see Symptoms) at any time - on entry to your premises or during the day - the staff member must be quarantined in your sanitised sick-room (see Preparation) and, if necessary, must be attended by a staff member qualified in first aid.



- **COMMUNICATION:**

Arrangements must be made for the staff member to be tested for COVID-19 and, if positive, the staff member will not be permitted to return to work until they have

- (a) undergone a medical evaluation in line with the Regulations; and
- (b) tested negative for COVID-19.

Symptoms

- Symptoms of COVID-19 can include any of the following: the child has a fever, is coughing or has a sore throat, redness of eyes, shortness of breath or difficulty in breathing.
- If a child or staff member shows one or more symptoms, follow the procedures under HYGIENE.

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