

Dear Parents,

As Intermountain continues to respond to the quickly evolving COVID-19 (novel coronavirus) situation, we are looking at everything we do through the lens of keeping our caregivers, patients and members, and communities as healthy and safe as possible.

We want to share some information about our preparedness regarding COVID-19 specifically as it relates to the Child Development Center. Our top priority is the overall wellbeing of the children of our caregivers. Based on Intermountain recommendations, and recommendations from the CDC and the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), we have developed and are implementing standards in relation to COVID-19. This is an evolving situation and we will keep you informed as these standards may change.

We understand that it's very important to our caregivers that the Center remain open during this time, and we are committed to doing so by limiting exposure whenever possible. Therefore, we are asking that you do the following:

- **Please keep your child home when ill. Children who become ill after coming to the Center will be sent home. Please find attached our current illness exclusion standards.**
- If your child(ren) have been exposed to or are in close contact with anyone being investigated for or having been diagnosed with COVID-19, they cannot come to the Center for at least 14 days. Parents are also not allowed to come to the Center in this situation. Close contact includes other family members, individuals living in the same household, and workers (e.g., nannies) who work in the same household. If after 14 days the child is symptom free, they may return to the Center. If symptoms are present, the child cannot return until medical permission has been granted. Medical permission may also involve our Infection Control team.
- Any parent who is quarantined from work due to travel or exposure will not be allowed to come to the Center during the quarantine. This includes children, because they have been in close contact. After the quarantine period, travelers and those in close contact with them must be symptom free before returning to the Center.
- We are doing everything possible to keep our Center open. However, we know it's possible that we may experience temporary closure due to COVID-19. Given that possibility, we are recommending that you make emergency plans for temporary childcare arrangements. If we experience unavoidable closure, there would be no charge for childcare and your contracted space is guaranteed for when we are able to reopen.
- If you are keeping your child home due to COVID-19 related situations, we will credit your account for days missed.
- The Center continues to evaluate our response with the community school closures. We understand the importance of our caregivers being able to work at this critical time in our hospitals and clinics. Our Center is accepting older children up to age 10 based on our space availability.

Intermountain's [COVID-19 webpage](#) is the best source for up-to-date information, and we encourage you to refer to this site frequently. We have also attached the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) basic questions and answers informational paper that is specific to children.

Thank you for your cooperation as we work together to address COVID-19 and its impact on our Center.

Sincerely,  
Child Development Center Director