

### **Principle**

The Infection Prevention & Control policy has been put into place to ensure the health and safety of all the children within the facilities care, enabling each child to experience play within a clean and comfortable environment. Also with particular attention to procedures of coping and handling the global pandemic of COVID19. We also feel that it is vital to practice these procedures to ensure that staff members also have a healthy and clean environment to work in.

### **Statement of intent**

Fun 4U Club believes that

- The prevention of infections being transmitted is paramount.
- Infection pandemic of Covid19 and such virus to be curtailed as much as humanly possible.
- Management must encourage a high standard of hygiene from all staff members.
- Each child has the right to play within a clean environment

The manager is responsible for overseeing the implementation of procedures and to ensure a high standard is reached in infection prevention and control.

### **Procedures**

- If a child within the setting has more than one cases of diarrhoea or vomiting their parents will be contacted and asked to collect him/her, the child will not be able to return to the facility unless they have had 48 hours clear of vomiting or diarrhoea. Also see illness and medication policy for more information.
- If a child/member of staff have symptoms as identified by the Government (new continuous cough/high temperature/loss of taste/smell) of Covid19, a member of their household have symptoms OR test positive the complete family within that household must isolate themselves for 14days.
- If the child has been attending the facility within the previous week, staff must conduct a deep clean of the facility and management must inform all other children who attended during that period (contact tracing) before allowing the attendance of children again.
- Children will be encouraged and shown how to properly wash their hands, doing so frequently during the day as well as these set times; upon entering and departure each day / after each activity/ before & after outdoor play/ before & after meal times/ after using the toilet.
- Staff will clean the toilet area after EACH USE during this Covid19 pandemic. Toileting will be staggered to allow for this procedure, Toilet handles/ taps tops and areas that children touch are to be given rigorous cleaning.
- Should a child exhibit symptoms of Covid19 during a session the said child must be moved to a set area within our room, the kitchenette. The window is to be open and ALL other children are to be removed if possible and if not the door is to remain closed to stop spread of the air born virus. A member of staff shall put on a disposable apron/ disposable gloves and disposable facemask to sit with said child during this time until collected by parents whom are too informed immediately.
- Staff are to remind parents that the whole said household of said child are by guidance of the government, to now self-isolate for 14 days.
- When the child has been collected the staff member must remove all PPE and double bag it. It is to be left in a sealed container for three days before putting into the refuse collection bins for disposal.
- The kitchenette MUST BE DEEP CLEANED AND WILL BE OUT OF USE UNTIL THIS HAS HAPPENED.
- Management are to be informed immediately if not on the premises.
- If a staff member develops symptoms they should isolate home for 14 days including all within their household and contact management immediately.

- During the period of the infection pandemic of COVID19 children will not be able to use facility cups plates and bowls to help reduce risks to both the children and the staff. When it has been established by the government that it is safe to allow food preparation and service to the public indoors this service will recommence and normal food hygiene regulations will apply.
- If any child has to be excluded from the Setting for a number of days due to an infectious disease or condition other than COVID19, this is kept confidential within the setting.
- If a child in the facility has been diagnosed by a doctor with a childhood, infectious disease. The manager must check our records for any children that may be at risk of infection and the parent notified that we have had a case within the facility.
- In the event of a child having a toileting accident or vomiting, the staff member tasked with cleaning up, must take all precautions to protect themselves and all other within the facility from the spread of infection. This staff member must always wear a disposable apron and gloves when involved in cleaning up this type event. When finished the apron, gloves and all other cleaning materials used, must be bagged separately from general waste and immediately removed from the facility to an outside bin.
- Children's clothing or belongings which have been accidentally soiled must be double bagged and sent home to parents.
- Hand washing procedures are displayed above each sink within the facility and staff must follow this and also encourage and assist children in learning the proper hand washing technique.
- All cleaning materials and equipment are kept within a locked store cupboard.
- Cleaning checklists are displayed within each room and also in general areas within the setting. Certain cleaning duties are signed off each day and also at the end of the week. This is checked and signed by the assistant manager monthly and filed appropriately.
- All staff members have to notify their manager in the event of them feeling unwell or showing any signs of diarrhoea or vomiting.
- If a staff member has a prolonged case of diarrhoea or vomiting they will be put on sick leave until they are 48 hours clear of the symptoms, before they can return to work.
- Any staff member handling food or preparing snacks for children must have their Food and Hygiene Certificate.
- Other policies may coincide with this policy such as Health and Safety, Child/Adult illness and Confidentiality Policy