

Day Camps
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I. Purpose: This Attachment is intended to allow people to return to the workforce and for children to resume social activities, while still protecting public health.

II. Requirements to Operate:

- a. Definition of group:
 - i. "Group" includes the number of children in a distinct unit. It does not include staff.
- b. Social Distancing:
 - i. Groups must be static, that is, no mixing of children between groups.
 - ii. Group size must be no more than 20 children.
 - iii. Social distancing should be encouraged whenever possible with an understanding on limitations in social distancing in young children.
 - iv. Activities should be held outside whenever feasible.
 - v. Visitors, volunteers, and other activities involving inter-group mixing and offsite events are prohibited.
 - vi. Excursions, such as bike rides and hikes, are allowable so long as groups do not inter-mix and social distancing guidelines are adhered to.
 - vii. Create social distance between children on school buses and vans where possible. Children should be seated in every other row with one child per seat. When boarding and exiting vehicles, maintain six feet of distance between children. Transportation should not be provided to individuals who are not associated with the program.
 - viii. Day camps that offer napping for young children must maintain social distance during rest times and must sanitize sleeping area after use.
 - ix. Camp must explain health guidelines to all children and staff, in an age-appropriate manner.
 - x. Camp must establish a COVID-19 Mitigation Plan addressing the practices and protocols to protect personnel and children.
 - xi. Camp must develop policies that ensure adequate supplies for the number of children in each group to minimize sharing of high-touch materials to the extent possible. For example, camp will procure sufficient art supplies, assign equipment to a single child, etc. If there are not enough high-touch materials for each child, the camp must assure that materials are disinfected between uses and that children wash their hands before and after using shared supplies.

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- xii. Camp must post entryway signage stating clearly that any person with symptoms consistent with COVID-19 may not enter the premises.
 - xiii. Activities, which require projection of voice or physical exertion, should take place outdoors, with a minimum of ten feet between each person, with an understanding on limitations in social distancing in young children. If such activities occur indoors, cloth face coverings should be worn whenever safely feasible.
- c. Capacity:
- i. Group size limited to no more than 20.
 - ii. A camp may oversee multiple groups, as long as the groups are kept apart at all times and no mixing between groups occurs, including staff. Each group should have separate eating areas, recreation space, and restroom facilities.
 - iii. Staff should avoid moving between groups whenever possible. If it is necessary for a staff member to interact with multiple groups, the staff member must wash their hands between interactions with the different groups and disinfect any common items or spaces.”
 - iv. Camps should encourage registration for longer periods (multiple weeks versus one week) to minimize mixing of participants.
 - v. For any attendees who come from out-of-state or have recently traveled out-of-state, camp will require affirmation from the parent or guardian that the child has completed the 14-day quarantine requirement prior to participation after arriving in the community.
- d. Hygiene Protocols:
- i. Camp must clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces on a daily basis and between uses. This includes tables, doorknobs, light switches, countertops, handles, sinks, faucets, and toys.
 - ii. Camp must maintain an adequate supply of disinfectant, hand sanitizer, and paper towels.
 - iii. Camp personnel must wash hands frequently using hot water, if possible, and with soap. Handwashing must occur before and after food preparation, assisting a child with eating, and changing diapers. If soap and water are not readily available, camp must supply hand sanitizer with at least 60 percent alcohol.
 - iv. Camp should require frequent handwashing or use of hand sanitizer, if handwashing is not available, by the children. This includes upon entry into the facility or camp, before and after an activity, and at a minimum, on an hourly basis.

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- e. Staffing/Operations:
- i. Cloth face coverings must be worn by all personnel. Face coverings may be removed for a short time when necessary, such as when playing a musical instrument, but must be worn at all other times.
 - ii. Cloth face coverings are prohibited on babies and children under the age of two because of the danger of suffocation, but cloth face coverings should be encouraged in older children.
 - iii. Camp must maintain a hard copy of the COVID-19 Mitigation Plan and any other written safety, sanitization, and physical distancing protocols (specific to COVID-19) on the business premises.
 - iv. Camp must supervise young children when using hand sanitizer.
 - v. Camp must communicate to parents or guardians the importance of keeping children home when they are sick. No child may return to camp or facility within 72 hours after last fever.
 - vi. Camp must screen every child daily upon arrival. If a touchless thermometer is available, camp will conduct temperature checks.
 - vii. If a cafeteria or group dining room is typically used, meals should be in classrooms instead where possible. Camp or facility must plate each child's meal individually so that multiple children are not using the same serving utensils.
 - viii. If possible, the camp should designate certain sinks to be used for food preparation only. If that is not possible, the sink must be cleaned and disinfected after each use.
 - ix. Camp must teach and model social distancing, creating space, and avoiding unnecessary touching, in an age-appropriate manner.
 - x. Camps must provide training for staff regarding these requirements and provide each staff member a copy of the COVID-19 Mitigation Plan.
 - xi. Camp must conduct personnel pre-shift screening and maintain staff screening log.
 - xii. No personnel displaying symptoms of COVID-19 will provide services to children. Symptomatic or ill personnel may not report to work.
 - xiii. No personnel may report to the work site within 72 hours of exhibiting a fever.
 - xiv. Camp must establish a plan for personnel getting ill and a return-to-work plan following CDC guidance, which can be found online at: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/guidance-business-response.html>.
- f. Cleaning and Disinfecting:
- i. Cleaning and disinfecting must be conducted in compliance with CDC protocols weekly or, in lieu of performing the CDC cleaning and
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disinfecting, the camp may shut down for a period of at least 72 consecutive hours per week to allow for natural deactivation of the virus, followed by site personnel performing a comprehensive disinfection of all common surfaces.

- ii. When an active staff member or participant is identified as being COVID-19 positive by testing, CDC cleaning and disinfecting must be performed as soon after the confirmation of a positive test as practical. In lieu of performing CDC cleaning and disinfecting, camps may shut down for a period of at least 72 consecutive hours to allow for natural deactivation of the virus, followed by staff performing a comprehensive disinfection of all common surfaces.
- iii. CDC protocols can be found on line at:
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/guidance-business-response.html> and <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/disinfecting-building-facility.html>.

III. The following best practices are encouraged:

- a. Camp should provide for staggering arrival, drop off times, and limit direct contact with parents, guardians, or family members as much as possible.