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COVID-19 Update

What you need to know:

- NSW Health has updated their health advice for ECE settings.
- To support communication with families, we have provided links to a template letter that services can use to advise families of a positive case in your service.
- The updated NSW Health fact sheet for families is included in this eDM.
- There is a free COVID-19 webinar tomorrow at 12.15pm.

Dear services and providers

We acknowledge the current COVID-19 situation is challenging and we are working hard to provide you with the most up to date information as it comes to hand.

Today, we've received advice from NSW Health with updated COVID-19 guidance for families in Early Childhood Education and Care. This advice has been incorporated in the <u>Managing Positive Cases page</u> on our website as well as two important documents (a template letter and fact sheet) to provide further clarity and simplify the process for services to work with families when managing a COVID positive case.

Please take the time to review this webpage to understand the process when a positive case is identified in your service. We will also walk through this process with services in tomorrow's information seminar.

Guidance for Families in ECE

It is recommended the <u>NSW Health information</u> is provided to families so they can understand the risk of transmission of COVID-19 and make informed decisions if there is a positive case in a service.

We have also updated the letter to families if you have a positive case which you can find on our Managing Positive Cases webpage.

COVID-19 Webinar tomorrow

It's not too late to register for our free webinar tomorrow at 12.15pm.

The webinar will provide important information about the current COVID-19 situation in NSW and how it applies to ECE.

Given the evolving situation and the need to respond with up-to-date health advice, this session will not be recorded.

Register your attendance at Eventbrite.

For more information

Educators are encouraged to regularly check the <u>NSW Health</u> website and <u>NSW Government website</u> regarding up-to-date restrictions in NSW.

If you have any questions about your service operation you can contact the Information and Enquiries team on 1800 619 113 or by emailing ececd@det.nsw.edu.au.

If you have a positive COVID case or have specific questions about your service's response to COVID-19, you can also

email ECEC.COVIDCASE@det.nsw.edu.au





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