

5101:2-13-02.2**Transitional Pandemic Requirements for a Licensed Family Child Care Provider.**

(A) What are transitional pandemic requirements for a licensed family child care provider?

Transitional pandemic requirements are licensing requirements that are followed as Ohio transitions out of pandemic child care for the COVID-19 pandemic and back to family child care licensing requirements.

(B) When does a licensed family child care provider follow these requirements?

Licensed family child care providers shall follow these requirements when the governor of Ohio declares a state of emergency for the COVID-19 pandemic and or directs ODJFS to issue transition requirements.

(C) What are the licensing requirements for a transitional family child care provider?

The family child care provider shall follow all of the licensing requirements of this chapter, with the following exceptions and additions:

(1) The family child care provider shall follow all guidelines set by the governor of Ohio or the director of the Ohio department of health.

(2) The family child care provider shall follow all handwashing procedures pursuant to rule 5101:2-13-13 of the Administrative Code with the following additions:

(a) The provider and all family child care staff members and employees shall wash their hands upon entering the family child care home and prior to leaving for the day.

(b) All children shall wash their hands prior to leaving for the day.

(3) The family child care provider may use non-permanent sinks to meet the handwashing requirements of this chapter.

(4) The family child care provider shall ensure that all employees, child care staff members and children are assessed for the symptoms listed in appendix A to this rule prior to or as soon as they arrive each day. The family child care provider and all residents shall be assessed for the symptoms listed in appendix A to this rule prior to the start of the day.

(a) If a family child care employee, child care staff member or child has a temperature of 100 degrees or higher:

- (i) The provider shall immediately send the person home. The individual shall not return to the program until he or she has been fever-free without the use of medication for at least twenty-four hours.
 - (ii) If the person had known contact with someone confirmed or probable to have COVID-19, he or she shall not return to the program until isolation or quarantine procedures for COVID-19 are completed in coordination with the local health department.
 - (b) If an employee, child care staff member, or child has any of the symptoms listed in appendix A and has had known contact with someone confirmed or probable to have COVID-19:
 - (i) The provider shall immediately send the person home.
 - (ii) The individual shall not return to the program until isolation or quarantine procedures for COVID-19 are completed in coordination with the local health department.
 - (c) If the provider or a resident has a temperature of 100 degrees or higher:
 - (i) The provider shall stop providing care until the individual has been fever-free without the use of medication for at least twenty-four hours.
 - (ii) If the provider or resident has had known contact with someone confirmed or probable to have COVID-19, the provider shall stop providing care until the person completes isolation or quarantine procedures for COVID-19 in coordination with the local health department.
 - (d) If the provider or a resident has any of the symptoms listed in appendix A and has had known contact with someone confirmed or probable to have COVID-19, the provider shall stop providing care until the person completes isolation or quarantine procedures in coordination with the local health department.
 - (e) The requirements of this paragraph also apply to anyone whose symptoms are assessed after arrival.
- (5) The family child care provider shall ensure the provider, all child care staff members, employees, and residents wear a face covering, unless not medically appropriate, while indoors. Face coverings, including cloth masks or plastic face shields, shall cover the individual's nose and mouth.

- (6) In accordance with the recommendations of the Ohio children's hospital association which is consistent with the Ohio chapter, American academy of pediatrics (Ohio AAP) and United States centers for disease control and prevention (CDC) guidelines (which is available at https://content.govdelivery.com/attachments/OHOOD/2020/08/04/file_attachments/1511083/8.3.20%20OCHA%20and%20AAP%20Face%20Coverings%20Masking%20Guidelines.pdf), the family child care provider shall ensure that all school-age children wear a face covering while indoors, unless not medically or developmentally appropriate. "School-age child" means a child who is enrolled in and attending a grade of kindergarten or above but is less than fifteen years old or, in the case of a child who is receiving special needs child care, is less than eighteen years old. Face coverings, including cloth masks or plastic face shields, shall cover the child's nose and mouth. Per guidance from the CDC, no child two years old and under shall wear a face covering.
- (7) Disposable face shields shall only be worn for a single use. Reusable face shields shall be cleaned and disinfected after each use.
- (8) The family child care provider shall not provide care to sick children pursuant to appendix B to rule 5101:2-13-16 of the Administrative Code.
- (9) If the provider, a resident of the home, child care staff member or employee of the family child care provider or a child enrolled in the care of the family child care provider tests positive for COVID-19, the program shall:
- (a) Notify ODJFS by the next business day in the Ohio child licensing and quality system as a serious incident pursuant to rule 5101:2-13-16 of the Administrative Code.
 - (b) Notify the local health department by the next business day.
 - (c) Ensure that the person completes isolation or quarantine procedures for COVID-19 in coordination with the local health department prior to being permitted to return to the program. If the provider or a resident of the home tests positive for COVID-19, care may not resume until the isolation or quarantine is complete.
- (D) How long is the transitional pandemic rule effective?
- The transitional pandemic rule is valid until the governor of Ohio rescinds the state of emergency and or directs ODJFS to return to full family child care licensing requirements.

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Appendix A
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List of COVID-19 Symptoms

- A temperature of one hundred degrees Fahrenheit or higher
- Fever
- Chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath
- Difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- Loss of taste or smell
- Sore Throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea