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TO: All Head Start/Early Head Start Families FROM: Seth Williams, Health Services Manager

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SUBJECT: MFCS Response to COVID-19 Pandemic

Due to the resurgence and ongoing high number of positive COVID-19 cases and hospitalization rates in Florida as represented consistently among various data sources, strong measures must be implemented in an effort to protect the children served and the Mid Florida Community Services Inc., (MFCS) Head Start & Early Head Start staff. Our agency is committed to the health and safety of your children and our team members. To do so MFCS will be complying with all Department of Children and Families, Office of Head Start, Centers for Disease Control, and local health department guidelines relating to the COVID-19 Pandemic. Below is a list of precautionary measures MFCS has put in place to ensure the safety of our clients and staff.

- Anyone entering the buildings will have a temperature screening and will fill out a
 "Self-Certification" form affirming that they have not tested positive or shown
 symptoms of COVID-19 within the past 14 days, or come into contact with
 someone that is COVID-19 positive within the past 10 days, or traveled
 internationally in the past 7 days. DCF/CDC limits entry to persons with a
 temperature of less 100.4°F.
- All children will have "Health Checks" including temperature screening outside of building. DCF/CDC limits entry to persons with a temperature of less 100.4°F.
- All staff have been provided a mask and are required to wear a face covering when in direct contact with children.
- All children age 2 and up will have a mask provided for them and are expected to wear it. The only exceptions are for medical/developmental concerns with documentation.
- Increased frequency of Cleaning/Disinfecting/Sanitizing will be maintained.
- Increased frequency of handwashing in the classrooms/centers will be maintained.
- There will be minimal intermixing/intermingling of children from different classroom groups.
- Adults are encouraged to practice physical distancing from each other.

Since this is a fluid situation, new recommendations and guidelines could be implemented. MFCS will do our best to communicate these changes to families as quickly as possible. If you need to discuss any of these items or have any questions do not hesitate to contact the Administrative Offices for Hernando/Sumter [(352) 754-2464] or Volusia [(386) 736-1325] counties.





