



**Public Health  
Santé publique**  
SUDBURY & DISTRICTS

**Subject: Your child developed symptoms consistent with COVID-19 while attending daycare**

Dear parent/guardian

Today, your child presented with or developed symptoms consistent with COVID-19 during the day. As a precaution, your child was separated from other children and immediately removed from the child care environment and brought to an isolation area where he/she was supervised by a staff member until you were able to bring them home.

As part of the Ministry of Health guidance, parents or guardians are contacted to bring their child home from child care when they present with COVID-19 symptoms during the day.

Public Health Sudbury & Districts requests that you complete the Ministry of Health *COVID-19 Screening Tool for Children in School and Child Care* tool (<https://covid-19.ontario.ca/school-screening/>) and follow the direction provided.

Should your child require testing for COVID-19, he/she **must remain in isolation at home and** cannot attend the child care centre in person while waiting for the results. As appropriate, Public Health and the Assessment Center will provide guidance about whether siblings or any other close contacts, such as people living in the same household, are **required to isolate at home while waiting for your child's test results**. This guidance is based on an assessment of your child's risk of exposure to COVID-19.

If your child tests **positive for COVID-19**, Public Health Sudbury and Districts will receive the results directly from the lab and will contact you to provide further direction and guidance.

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If your child tests **negative for COVID-19** or if testing is not recommended and/or an alternative diagnosis is provided, your child may return to school/daycare if they meet the following criteria:

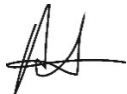
- They do not have a fever (without using medication); AND
- Their symptoms have been improving for at least 24 hours (or at least 48 hours if their symptoms were vomiting/diarrhea); AND
- They were not in close contact with someone who currently has COVID-19.

Please note that mild symptoms known to persist in young children (e.g. runny nose or mild cough that may persist following infections) may be ongoing at time of return to school/child care if other symptoms are resolved.

If testing is recommended by your health care provider and/or the *COVID-19 Screening Tool for Children in School and Child Care* and you decide to **NOT** have your child tested, your child must stay home and self-isolate for 10 days from when their symptoms started. They may return to school/daycare after 10 full days since the symptoms started as long as they do not have a fever and their symptoms have been improving for at least 24 hours. If your child cannot isolate apart from your household contacts (e.g. they are too young) and needs help, the caregiver must also isolate with child and away from other household members.

**If you have any questions, please contact Public Health Sudbury & Districts by visiting [www.phsd.ca/COVID-19](http://www.phsd.ca/COVID-19) or calling 705.522.9200 (toll-free 1-866-522-9200).**

Thank you,



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