



The Rumpus Room Children's Centre

Dealing with Infectious Diseases , Covid-19 (Coronavirus) policy.

Policy Statement

Our education and care service is committed to providing a safe and healthy environment that reduces the chance of being infected or spreading Covid-19. In recognition of the rapid spread of this disease and the ongoing release of information from authorities, our service needs to respond swiftly and correctly to advice from authorities.

Goals

Our service will apply measures that prioritise health and safety, including:

- Implementing vigilant hygiene practices that prevent the spread of infectious diseases, including Covid-19
- Encouraging good health and sanitisation
- Monitoring sources of public health information
- Implementing all measures as directed by NSW Government or Federal Government
- Educating and informing our community with current and trusted information.

Strategies

- Regularly and thoroughly cleaning hands with an alcohol-based hand sanitiser or with soap and water
- Encouraging children to avoid touching eyes, nose and mouth as much as possible.
- Following good respiratory hygiene, when coughing or sneezing:
 - cover mouth and nose with bent elbow or tissue and
 - dispose of the used tissue immediately and
 - wash hands with soap and water or, if water is not available, use hand sanitiser.
- Excluding children or staff who are unwell and reasonably suspected to have a communicable disease from the service until they are cleared by a doctor to return.
- Utilising and maintaining the centre risk assessment for specific details in relation to Covid-19 (Coronavirus)

Should there be any concerns regarding the health of a child at the service, families will be asked to seek medical attention. Further guidance may be sought from Healthdirect on 1800 022 222.

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Quality Area 2: Children's Health and Safety

Reference: Community Early Learning Australia (CELA) Sample Policy