



Coronavirus (COVID-19) Agency Preventative Updates

What specific guidelines will Bona Vista follow as we continue with preventative measures?

Bona Vista will continue to reference the guidance produced by the Centers for Disease Control. This guidance outlines steps that can be taken to help stop or slow the spread of respiratory infectious diseases, including COVID-19.

New preventative measures as of 3/16/20:

- Only main entrances can be entered at all Bona Vista buildings.
 - At the Laguna location, staff can only enter the early childhood entrance and main administrative entrance.
 - Staff are being requested to not park in the Early Childhood and Early Head Start parking lot (east side lot in front of early childhood entrance) area until further notice.
- All unnecessary face to face meetings with external non-essential personnel are suspended, without Vice President or President approval.
- Visitor restrictions are in place for all non-essential program personnel. This includes, but is not limited to: case managers, service providers, interns, volunteers, etc. This does not include state, local or health personnel.
- We are limiting all unnecessary community outings. VP's are responsible for directing and implementing this restriction within individual departments.
- In an effort to remain cautious about large group settings and the spread of respiratory infectious diseases (outside of essential programming), we are implementing different drop off and pick up procedures. This includes meeting guardians, families, or service providers at the door to prevent additional people from walking through agency buildings. Alternate plans will be coordinated for different program areas based on need.

About COVID-19:

COVID-19 is a respiratory illness caused by a novel, or new, coronavirus that has not been previously identified. The virus causing COVID-19 is not the same as the coronaviruses that commonly circulate among humans and cause mild illness, like the common cold. Human coronaviruses most commonly spread from an infected person to others through:

- Respiratory droplets released into the air by coughing and sneezing;
- Close personal contact, such as touching or shaking hands;
- Touching an object or surface with the virus on it, then touching your mouth, nose, or eyes before washing your hands; and
- Rarely, fecal contamination.

The CDC does not recommend that people who are well wear a facemask to protect themselves from respiratory illnesses, including COVID-19. You should only wear a mask if recommended by a healthcare professional. A facemask should be used by people who have COVID-19 and are showing symptoms to protect others from the risk of infection.