

CHILD WATCH PARENT HANDBOOK – COVID-19 ADDENDUM

-The Family YMCA's Child Watch Program will be reopening Oct 5, 2020. Due to the risk of COVID-19, there are some additional policies and procedures that have been implemented to help ensure the safety of both the youth attending our programs and the staff that serve them.

-This sheet will serve as an addendum to the original Child Watch Parent Handbook. Aside from the changes listed here, the information in that book is still current and correct.

-Age Limits/Hours: Child Watch will be available for children 8 weeks-10 years' old, and the Child Watch Room will be staffed Monday-Friday from 2pm-6pm.

-Parents will be asked to complete a self-assessment on their child(ren) before bringing their child(ren) in to the YMCA Child Watch Program. We will be using similar guidance to that of NMPED.

Home Screening Guidance for COVID

Before sending your child to Child Watch, please consider the following questions:

-Does your child have a new or unexplained onset of any of the following: **fever** or chills, **cough**, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, **sore throat**, **congestion or runny nose**, **nausea**, **vomiting**, or **diarrhea***?

-In the past 14 days, has your child had exposure to someone diagnosed with COVID-19? Have they had exposure to someone who is awaiting a COVID-19 test result? (this does not apply to those who are a part of a regular testing program)

-Has your child been diagnosed with COVID-19 or is your child awaiting a COVID-19 test result?

-Has your child traveled to a restricted state in the past 14 days or had contact with someone that has traveled to a restricted state in the past 14 days? (current exemption for those receiving medical care out-of-state; review all travel restrictions and list of restricted states here)

**If your answer to any of these questions is "yes", please keep your child home

-Upon arrival to the child watch room, parents will allow staff to scan their child(ren)'s temperature. Any child with a fever of 100.4 or greater will not be allowed in to Child Watch and will be restricted from using this service for 14 days.

-Parents, car seats, diaper bags and coats will no longer be allowed inside the child watch room. There will be an area just outside of the room where parents can place these types of items.

-Children will sanitize their hands as they walk in to the room.

-Children ages 3 and up will be expected to wear a mask during their stay in child watch.

-Parents are still expected to remain on site while their child is under YMCA Child Watch care, and visits are limited to two hours per day.

*PLEASE NOTE: Children suspected of illness will be sent home and asked not to return for at least 24 hours and up to 14 days after symptoms are gone. **This is a staff judgement call.** If a child has been asked to leave one day, and brought in the next, Child Watch staff may deny entry to the child. This helps us to ensure the younger infants do not become infected with illness while under our care.