

INFORMATION BULLETIN

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TO EDUCATIONAL CHILDCARE PROVIDERS

When to go back to the childcare facility after a respiratory infection

Children who have had a fever may resume their activities when they have been fever-free for 24 hours without the use of anti-fever medication. They may attend childcare if they have other symptoms of a viral respiratory infection (cough, loss of taste or smell, runny nose or nasal congestion). Masks are recommended for staff members who provide care to the child.

Parents should not be asked to provide a physician's note when their child resumes childcare. Not only is this unnecessary, especially since compulsory self-isolation is no longer required for COVID-19 infections, but it may also contribute to the overloading of the healthcare system.

Please see [Educational childcare services in the context of COVID-19 and other viral respiratory infections](#) for instructions on what to do when a child or staff member has symptoms of a viral respiratory infection.

The Information Bulletin is a publication that provides periodic information updates for educational childcare providers during the pandemic. Be sure always to consult the latest version of the Bulletin because the information on a given topic will most likely be updated as the situation evolves.

If you have not found the answers to your questions, please contact the Ministère's Centre de relation avec la clientèle by calling 1 855-336-8568 (toll-free), between 8.30 a.m. and 4.30 p.m., Monday to Friday.