Measures for Children at ECDs

How to keep small children 1,5 meters apart during free play?

Watch the kids constantly and keep reminding them to keep at least an arm's length away from others. Let them swing their arms around themselves to know how far they should be from others.

Put stickers or colourful bits of paper 1,5 m apart onto the floor which the children must stand on.

Do we need a sick bay for children who are sick?

 There needs to be an area or room separate from other children where those who are sick can be kept till their caregivers fetch them.

What steps do we take if a child or staff member shows symptoms?

• Immediately put on a mask. Remove the person to the sick bay till they can be fetched. Reassure the child.

Must learners and teachers have their temperatures taken every morning?

 The policy states that this should be done and recorded.

How can I help children to understand how easily the virus can spread?

Let the children dip their hands into cake flour or glitter and leave them to play. After about 10 minutes ask them to identify where the flour/glitter is. The virus is like the flour/glitter which is everywhere.

How can children be taught to wash their hands for 20 seconds?

Teach them to sing "Happy Birthday to me" twice while using soap and water to wash hands. Then dry them on a paper towel or shake them dry. Show them how to rub the palms together; rub tips of nails against the palm and to swap hands; rub fingers between each other; place one hand over the other and rub between fingers and to swap hands. Wash hands before touching food and after going to the toilet.



