



Yukon Communicable Disease Control 4 Hospital Rd, Whitehorse, Yukon Y1A 3H8

July 3, 2021

To all staff at Grow With Joy Daycare, DAYS INN location,

Yukon Communicable Disease Control (YCDC) has been made aware of a **positive case of COVID-19 affecting the Preschool, After-School Age and Kindergarten groups** at Grow with Joy Daycare, 2288 2nd Avenue Days Inn.

All children and staff who attended between June 23rd and June 30th, in the Preschool, After-School Age and Kindergarten groups, have been identified as close contacts of COVID-19. COVID-19 is a respiratory illness that is spread through droplets when a person coughs, speaks, or by touching surfaces contaminated by the virus with your hands and then touching your face before washing your hands. Children in these age groups often have mild symptoms.

A risk assessment has been completed by YCDC, in consultation with a Medical Officer of Health. After careful analysis, we recommend the following for all staff in who worked at the Days Inn location between June 23^{rd} and June 30^{th} :

- If you have received 2 doses of COVID-19 immunization, with the last dose prior to June 8th and are you not significantly immunosuppressed due to illness or medication, we recommend self-monitor for symptoms through July 14th. It is very important that if symptoms develop, no matter how mild, you do not go to work and arrange for testing.
- All other staff, not fully-immunized, are recommended to self-isolate and monitor for symptoms for 14 days after your last day of work. i.e. to 14 July if you worked on the 30th.

We also recommend that all children and staff in this group be tested for COVID-19, if they develop symptoms no matter how mild. Symptoms include:

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- Chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath
- Runny nose

- Sore throat
- Loss of sense of taste or smell
- Headache
- Fatigue

- Loss of appetite
- Nausea and vomiting
- Diarrhea
- Muscle aches

Symptoms of COVID-19 may be mild or severe and often have a different presentation in persons who are very young or older persons. While most people will experience mild illness, older adults and people with pre-existing medical conditions are at higher risk for severe illness.

To book a COVID-19 test, contact the COVID Testing and Assessment Center (CTAC) directly at 867-393-3083. These recommendations are to protect your child and your family's health. When you call, please mention you work at Grow with Joy Daycare DAYS INN.

If you are eligible for COIVD-19 immunization, please book your immunization after your isolation period has ended. For general information on COVID-19 see <u>yukon.ca/en/covid-19-information</u>