



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

November 16, 2021

To Parents/Guardians, Staff and Children at Grow with Joy Child Care DAYS INN,

Yukon Communicable Disease Control (YCDC) has been made aware of a **positive case of COVID-19 at Grow with Joy Child Care, DAYS INN location** at 2288 2nd Avenue, Whitehorse affecting the:

- Staff and children in the **Toddler group (28 months to 3 years)** on Monday November 8th and Friday November 12th. The toddler group (20 months to 27 months) is NOT affected by this letter.

All children and staff who attended or provided care, in this Toddler group on these dates, 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 children and staff connected to the above group:

- If you are **not significantly immunosuppressed** due to illness or medication AND have received 2 doses of COVID-19 immunization, with the last dose prior to October 25th, **we recommend you self-monitor for symptoms through November 26th** .
- If you are **significantly immunosuppressed** due to illness or medication AND have received 3 doses of COVID-19 immunization, with the last dose prior to October 25th, **we recommend you self-monitor for symptoms through November 26th** .
- All others **not** fully immunized are recommended to self-isolate until November 18th (if **only** there on 8th) OR November 22nd (if there on the 12th), inclusive, and self-monitor for symptoms through November 26th .

It is very important that if **any** symptoms develop, no matter how mild, that you arrange for testing. Symptoms to self-monitor for include:

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| • Fever | • Sore throat | • Loss of appetite |
| • Chills | • Loss of sense of taste or smell | • Nausea and vomiting |
| • Cough | • Headache | • Diarrhea |
| • Shortness of breath | • Fatigue | • Muscle aches |
| • Runny nose | | |

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. When calling CTAC, please mention you are connected to Grow with Joy Day Child Care.

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

