

# FAMILY CHILD CARE HEALTH & SAFETY BULLETIN

...a newsletter for family child care providers and FCC Network Leaders

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## Welcome to second edition of *Family Child Care Health & Safety Bulletin!*

The Connecticut Nurses' Association (CNA) and Office of Early Childhood (OEC) in continued support of family child care providers have created this newsletter to assist not only providers, but Network leaders through resources and technical assistance regarding child care health and safety topics!

### Connecticut Nurses' Association (CNA): Child Care Health Consultants

The CNA's Child Care Health Consultants (CCHC) are registered nurses who have knowledge and expertise in child health, child development, and health and safety in the context of family child care settings. CCHCs work with family child care providers to promote healthy and safe environments through increasing knowledge on health issues, sharing guidance, best practices, resources and referrals.

#### We Can Help!

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The CCHCs are available to family child care providers and network staff! We are happy to join Family Child Care Network conference or webinar calls, or provide one-on-one consultation to family providers. CCHCs can support programs by: reviewing and developing policies and procedures; problem solve approaches to cleaning, sanitizing, disinfecting, sleeping/napping arrangements, social distancing and play; and so much more! Feel free to [reach out](#) and set a time to meet with us, we are more than happy to discuss ways to support your work with providers.

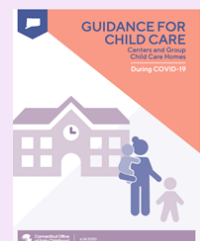
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## The Office of Early Childhood (OEC) Guides for Child Care During COVID-19

The OEC created comprehensive guides for centers/group child care homes and family child care homes during COVID-19. Find helpful recommendations on their website at <https://www.ctoec.org/covid-19/>:

- ◆ Wearing masks
- ◆ Social distancing
- ◆ Drop-off and pick-up procedures
- ◆ Health screening
- ◆ Cleaning and disinfecting
- ◆ Sick procedures
- ◆ Opening after a closure



## COVID-19 Child Care Posters

Encourage Providers to use visual reminders in their programs to communicate and remind families about new policies & procedures!

# STOP!

## DO YOU FEEL SICK?

Have you been in contact with anyone that is feeling sick?

Do you have a cough?

Do you have shortness of breath?

Do you feel weak or more tired than usual?

**NO?**  
Come on in!

**YES?**  
Please make an appointment with your doctor.



[www.ctoec.org/covid-19](http://www.ctoec.org/covid-19)  
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Connecticut Office  
of Early Childhood

Office of Early Childhood (OEC) Poster

## Resources for Family Child Care



### Connecticut 2-1-1 Child Care

Encourage family child care provider that now is a great time to explore and use resources! There is a lot of responsibility caring for themselves, their families and all the children and families in their program. Family care providers play an important role helping parents balance their work and family responsibilities.

2-1-1 Child Care is Connecticut's statewide child care resource and referral agency. 2-1-1 Child Care provides free, confidential referrals to child care programs. Information on this website includes:

- ◆ Training and Professional Development  
<https://resources.211childcare.org/provider-resources/training-pd/>
- ◆ Quality Improvement  
<https://resources.211childcare.org/provider-resources/quality-improvement/>
- ◆ Resources for Providers  
<https://resources.211childcare.org/provider-resources/resources/>

For more information, contact 2-1-1 Child Care at 2-1-1 or 1-800-505-1000 or email [211child-care@ctunitedway.org](mailto:211child-care@ctunitedway.org). Also, if you have any other health/human service needs, 2-1-1 connects callers, at no cost, to critical health and human services in their community.

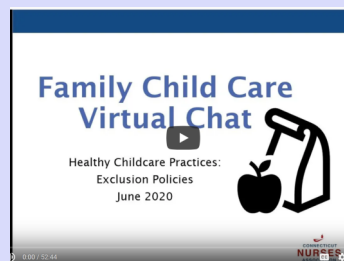
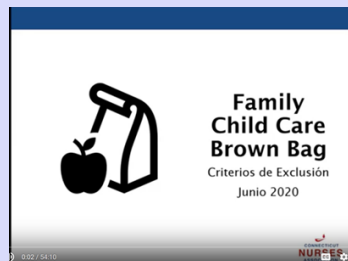


### Connecticut Nurses' Association COVID Related Topical Webinars

[View previously recorded Webinars & Handouts \(English and Spanish\)](#)

- Managing Germs, Staying Healthy
- Health Check
- Exclusion Criteria
- Using Guidance to Move Forward with Confidence

(<https://ctnurses.org/FCC-Webinars/>)



**Note:** These resources may provide an opportunity for FCC Network staff to engage with the content, hear from nurse consultants and their response to participant questions!