

Prevention and Steps to take when you have a confirmed case of Monkeypox in Child Care Settings

I. Communication & Exposure Notification		Y/N
1.	Identify staff and children who were in close contact with a confirmed case of monkeypox. For more information on how monkeypox is spread, see LINK .	
2.	Inform staff and parents and guardians that there has been a <u>laboratory confirmed</u> case in your facility (and/or affected classrooms) and provide the Monkeypox Exposure Notification Letter.	
3.	Clearly establish and communicate exclusion criteria to staff and parents and guardians: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Children should be kept home and isolated after a confirmed monkeypox diagnosis. Exposed children should only be excluded from care upon development of a new rash or flu-like illness within 21 days of exposure and be evaluated by a healthcare provider. 	
4.	Report confirmed cases to Public Health 206-477-3977.	
5.	<u>Report a confirmed case to Licensor WA DCYF.</u>	
II. Environmental Cleaning & Disinfection for impacted room(s)		Y/N
1.	The impacted classroom must be closed for deep cleaning and laundering when children are not present: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The cohort of children can be moved to an alternate classroom, if available, without mixing cohorts. If alternate space is not available, children will need to be sent home. 	
2.	Educate staff on proper PPE and ensure its use. Immediately implement use of the following PPE during all cleaning and laundering: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gloves Eye protection Disposable gown N95 mask 	
3.	LAUNDRY - Anything porous (washable) must be cleaned and laundered: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staff must use recommended PPE while gathering and doing laundry. Children's laundry must be bagged in a non-porous plastic bag and sent home with families to be laundered. Program laundry cannot be sent home with a staff or family member. Wash clothing, blankets, bedding, soft toys, and other porous materials or fabric that the child might have used with regular detergent, hot water, and a high heat dry cycle. Gather these items into a non-porous plastic bag and carefully transfer contents into the washing machine. Avoid shaking or agitating laundry to limit spread of infectious particles. Anything that cannot be cleaned needs to be sealed in a bag for 21 days. 	
4.	CLASSROOM - Perform thorough cleaning of classroom and/or other areas (play structures, bathrooms, lunchrooms, staff room, etc.) as soon as possible once a confirmed monkeypox case is identified among children or staff: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do not sweep, dry dust, or use fans until a wet clean of impacted areas can be performed. 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Disinfect surfaces: If bleach is not used by your program, hard, non-porous surfaces can be cleaned using soap and water followed by an EPA-registered disinfectant, including appropriate contact time.Soft, porous furnishings should be cleaned by steam cleaning or shampooing using an EPA-registered disinfectant.Carpets should be cleaned by steam cleaning or shampooing using an EPA-registered disinfectant. If this is not an option, a high-efficiency air filtered vacuum should be used.	
5.	Waste can be disposed of using the normal municipal waste management system: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Items that have been in direct contact with skin should be placed in a sealed plastic bag before being thrown into a trash can.Waste: PPE used by those cleaning (gloves, gown, mask), hand towels from bathroom, diapers, any porous items that cannot be cleaned (stuffed toys).Remove PPE used while cleaning/disinfecting/laundrying following appropriate procedures and place in a sealed plastic bag.Gloves should be used when disposing of trash and discarded in trash can.Wash hands.	
III. Prevention of further exposures		Y/N
1.	Increase frequency of handwashing with soap and water among staff and children: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Ensure prompt and thorough handwashing, especially after diapering or other high-touch activities.Monitor handwashing among children for appropriate technique and duration.	
2.	Ensure daily health checks and symptom monitoring occur.	
3.	Instruct staff who have been in contact with case to monitor for development of symptoms daily: <ul style="list-style-type: none">If symptoms develop, staff should be excluded and seek evaluation for monkeypox.	