



World of Care Updates

Let's Talk Close Contacts & Quarantine

by PACT Administration

"...close contacts should stay home for 14 days from the date of last exposure, even if they have no symptoms or they have a negative Covid-19 test done during quarantine."

This is from the MDH and MSDE Decision aide. What it means for all of us at PACT is that **children must stay home** if anyone in a child's household or "bubble" (parent, sibling, family friend who has been around the child, etc) has **Covid symptoms** on the Decision Aid.

In addition, if children or staff develop Covid-19 symptoms **within 48 hours of attending PACT**, that **classroom will need to close** until negative testing from the symptomatic child/adult is completed or until the quarantine period from the Department of Health is met.

We are truly in this together. We depend on you to help us keep everyone healthy & to keep our classrooms open this winter.

- If in doubt, keep your child home and call the PACT nursing team at 410-298-1997 x 41954 or 41951.
- Let us know if you need a letter for your employer – we can provide this now, if you need to keep your child home, or if a classroom does need to temporarily close



We know that you depend on us.

- We will continue to keep classrooms separate to reduce exposure to larger groups of children and adults. This will also reduce the need to close multiple classrooms in the event we need to close.
- Staff covering classrooms for breaks or absences will continue to wear masks, scrub jackets and face shields.
- Visitors will not be permitted in the center at any time.
- We will continue daily screening for staff and children. In addition to the Tadpoles questions, we will continue to ask the same questions about symptoms and exposures and take temperatures.