

## Parents letter No. 18 - November 20, 2020

Dear Parents,

in the past two weeks, the number of cases in our facilities have increased significantly.

So far, however, we have been able to record mild to symptom-free cases of a COVID-19 infection in all reported cases.

At this point we would like to refer to the information letter from the Wiesbaden health department and clarify the difference between a suspected case and a specific case, as well as the following measures:

Corona is suspected in your child's daycare group

Suspected cases initially have no effect on the process in your child's group. The health department does not initiate a quarantine for the other children in the group or for the caregivers due to suspected cases.

Example: A family member tested positive for COVID-19 or had contact with someone who may be infected

The child / educator receives an order from the responsible health department to quarantine at home. We will inform the parents of the facility / group of this case and ask for increased vigilance with regard to possible symptoms in your child.

Note: Category 1 contacts are not automatically tested. An order for testing is issued exclusively by the health department. A negative test result does not shorten the period of the ordered quarantine.

There is a confirmed corona case in your child's group

All first-degree contact persons who were in close contact with the infected person 48 hours before the test or 48 hours before the onset of symptoms must be in 14-day quarantine. This begins with the last contact with the infected person. These are mostly the children of the day care center group, as well as the respective supervisors, with the exception of those children and supervisors who were not present on the respective days.

- We inform the parents of the institution / group of this case
- We will immediately contact the responsible health department (s) and report all contact persons.
- We also describe the respective situation to enable the health department to assess.
- The health authorities then contact the persons / parents in different ways:
  - Notification to the facility management about the duration of the ordered domestic quarantine; this is then communicated to the parents via the facility
  - Message from the facility management -> forwarding of a written notification from the health department to the parents about the facility
  - Written notification from the health department directly to the parents

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In this context, we refer to the Hessian household regulation State government 2nd ordinance to combat the coronavirus, last updated on October 19, 2020, this entry ban applies to children under the age of twelve if their parents or siblings have been segregated at home as first-degree contact persons by the health department.

This means: If children under the age of twelve live in a household with a person who has been quarantined by the health department, they are not allowed to enter their day-care centers, day nurseries, schools and other training facilities during this quarantine period. However, you are not subject to any further quarantine measures.

The day care management puts the health of the children and employees first.

Personnel shortage in a facility can occur in the coming months.

However, as the mixing of children / groups should be avoided, the day care centre reserves the right to adjust the opening times of individual facilities according to the staff available. In concrete terms, this can mean that the daily care times are shortened for a period of approx. 1 week to 4 weeks in the afternoon (e.g. to / from 4 p.m.).

A temporary reduction in care times required by an institution is taken into account by means of a credit note procedure for the monthly payment of wages.

You will be informed in time about any changes.

If you have any questions or suggestions, please do not hesitate to contact us at [corona-info@obermayr.com](mailto:corona-info@obermayr.com) or by calling 0172-6859919.

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