

BCDHSC Webinar
Featured: NH WorkShare and
Q&A with Dr. Benjamin Chand, MD and Richard Lavers
Chat Questions and Answers, June 11, 2020 12:30-2:00pm

DHHS, Marti Ilg:

1. Guidelines for social distancing v. optimum spaces
 - a. The data in the graphs is EECPS, so all content reflects COVID numbers. Optimum spaces in the graphs represent COVID conditions as reported by the ECCP.
2. What data is being collected from program about how many of former parents are not able to return because they do not have the space? (E.g., 30 parents want to return who happen to be doctors and nurses)
 - a. (e.g., 20 families if the group size of 10 continues)
 - b. EECPS do not currently collect this data. What we know is that many programs report vacancies and others have waitlists. As discussed in the presentation, there is an integrated team working on alternative types of care and a mixed delivery system.
<https://www.covidguidance.nh.gov/sites/g/files/ehbemt381/files/inline-documents/2020-05/guidance-child-care.pdf>

CCLU, Melissa Clement:

1. If you have a new employee it is only the household and personal form that is required? Do they still need to be notarized?
 - a. Background checks are still required, and the process, including how notaries can be utilized, can be found at <https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/oos/cclu/fingerprinting.htm>
2. If hired and can't get fingerprinted, are we allowed to bring into our school?
 - a. During this time, the requirement for FBI fingerprinting has been deferred until after the State of Emergency has ended. See our website for the current process:
<https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/oos/cclu/fingerprinting.htm>
3. If license expires the end of June will an inspection be conducted?
 - a. Due to the current state of emergency established in Governor Sununu's Executive Order 2020-04, and as extended by Executive Orders 2020-05, 2020-08, and 2020-09, and in accordance with the recommendations of NH Division of Public Health Services and the Center for Disease Control (CDC), the department has significantly changed its ordinary practices and limited all in-person contact with providers. Once we have a process in place to complete renewal inspections, your licensing coordinator will contact you.
4. Group size statement
 - a. The guidance is to ensure the health and safety of both children and staff in an effort to prevent possible outbreaks in child care facilities. These guidelines were issued by the Governor's reopening task force and based on the direct recommendations from NH Public Health and the CDC guidance for operation of child care programs across the country during the current public health crisis. They are not licensing requirements and as such have no bearing on your license status with the Child Care Licensing Unit. You must comply with all child care licensing rules while operating your program, including group sizes as indicated in He-C 4002.