

TO: Child Care Licensees

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SUBJECT: Updates to the Screening Tool

I am writing to notify you of an update to the [COVID-19 school and child care screening tool](#).

Revisions have been made to align with updated [federal guidance](#) for fully vaccinated travelers who are exempt from quarantine.

Upon return from international travel, fully vaccinated travelers are no longer required to wear a mask when in public settings for 14 days after arrival in Canada or to maintain a list of all close contacts for their first 14 days in Canada.

Unvaccinated or partially vaccinated individuals who are exempt from quarantine (including unvaccinated children under 12 years of age who are exempt from quarantine due to accompanying a fully vaccinated adult) are still required to wear a mask in public settings (including school and child care) and maintain a list of all close contacts for 14 days after arrival in Canada. Exemptions for this masking requirement include individuals who need to remove their mask for security or safety reasons; children under the age of 2; and children aged 2 to 5 who are unable to tolerate wearing a mask.

Please ensure that staff, children and families are aware of and using the updated screener for daily screening.

As always, thank you for your ongoing partnership and efforts as we work to keep child care safe and open.

Sincerely,

Boafoa Kwamena