



# COVID-19 Resource List for Child Care and Development Fund Tribal Lead Agencies

## Introductions

The Office of Child Care (OCC) recognizes that state, territory, and Tribal Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF) Lead Agencies are concerned about the impact the coronavirus may have on their programs and other programs they work with. Child care providers should take steps to prevent the introduction and spread of coronavirus among their staff, children, and families. Through collaboration and coordination with local health departments, programs can take steps to disseminate information about the disease and its potential transmission. In addition, CCDF Tribal Lead Agencies can adopt subsidy policies that promote continuity of child care services to impacted children and families and that maintain support for child care businesses during closures or other disruptions.

## Resources

The resources below can assist Tribal Lead Agencies in response to coronavirus (COVID-19) emergency preparedness and response options and flexibilities.

Resource Title	Description
<a href="#">Office of Child Care COVID-19 Resources web page</a>	This link includes OCC resources regarding relevant flexibilities in CCDF law, including flexibility in spending CCDF funds in response to federal or state declared emergency situations, and slides from the OCC COVID-19 CCDF Administrators National Webinar.
<a href="#">CCDF Frequently Asked Questions in Response to COVID-19 web page</a>	OCC has developed a frequently asked questions (FAQ) resource guide in response to COVID-19 questions received so far. OCC has posted the FAQ guide on the OCC website and updates it on a rolling basis as new questions come in.
<a href="#">CCDF Information Memorandum on the CARES Act</a>	This Information Memorandum (IM), released on April 29, 2020, details the implications of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act or the "CARES Act" for state, territory, and Tribal CCDF grantees.

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<a href="#"><u><i>Tip Sheet for Tribes: Using CCDF Amendments and Waiver Flexibilities to Meet the Child Care Needs as a Result of COVID-19</i></u></a>	<p>Tribal Lead Agencies have broad flexibility to operate the CCDF program and have a number of flexibilities within federal statute and regulation to adapt policies in order to maintain continuity of services for families affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. This tip sheet is available to assist Tribal Lead Agencies in understanding what flexibility is available to them and how to use that flexibility to continue child care services.</p>
<a href="#"><u>CCDF Lead Agencies: Relevant Flexibilities in CCDF Law web page</u></a>	<p>Information about COVID-19 for CCDF Lead Agencies: Relevant Flexibilities in CCDF Law – details and guidance on coronavirus prevention and response.</p>
<a href="#"><u>CDC Supplemental Guidance for Child Care Programs that Remain Open web page</u></a>	<p>These additional considerations are intended to provide guidance for a range of child care programs. This information is intended for child care programs that remain open, and should be used in conjunction with CDC’s guidance for administrators of child care programs and K-12 schools. This guidance does not supersede state and local laws and policies for child care programs.</p>
<a href="#"><u>CDC Considerations for K-12 Schools: Readiness and Planning Tool</u></a>	<p>The CDC has released a readiness and planning tool to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in K-12 schools that may be useful to program administrators in making decisions about opening center-based child care programs.</p>
<a href="#"><u>Understanding Coronavirus-2019 (COVID-19) web page</u></a>	<p>The CDC provides up-to-date information about prevention, symptoms, testing, and the current status of the coronavirus.</p>
<a href="#"><u>Interim Guidance for Administrators of US K-12 Schools and Childcare Programs web page</u></a>	<p>The CDC offers guidance to help administrators of public and private child care programs and K–12 schools prevent the spread of COVID-19 among students and staff.</p>
<a href="#"><u>Flexibility in Spending CCDF Funds in Response to Federal or State Declared Emergency Situations CCDF-ACF-IM-2017-02</u></a>	<p>This Information Memorandum (IM) provides guidance to state, territory, and Tribal CCDF Lead Agencies regarding the flexibility in spending CCDF funds in response to federal or state declared emergency situations.</p>
<a href="#"><u>Child Care and Preschool Pandemic Influenza Planning Checklist</u></a>	<p>Child care programs can use this list to learn more about preparedness planning for pandemic influenza. This checklist was created for an influenza pandemic but can be adapted for other emergencies.</p>
<a href="#"><u>Preparing Child Care Programs for Pandemic Influenza web page</u></a>	<p>OCC recommends Lead Agencies follow public health guidelines from their local health departments and the Centers for Disease Controls and Prevention (CDC) to prepare for a pandemic outbreak.</p>

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<a href="#">HHS-ACF COVID-19 Resources web page</a>	This web page includes COVID-19 resources from HHS-ACF, including helping communities know mitigation strategies, guidance for preparing workplaces, and general preparation information.
<a href="#">State and Territory COVID-19 Information for Families and Child Care Providers web page</a>	ChildCare.gov provides direct links to COVID-19 information provided by each state and territory to help families and child care providers stay informed during the pandemic.
<a href="#">COVID-19 Resources from the Early Childhood Training and Technical Assistance System web page</a>	Resources for states, territories, and Tribes are compiled to ensure that information is accessible during the COVID-19 pandemic. The resources are categorized by audience: CCDF Lead Agencies, child care providers, and families. Topical resources include, among others, subsidy information, business practices, health and safety, social and emotional well-being, trauma-informed care and resources to support children and families.
<a href="#">Understanding and Addressing the Impact of COVID-19 in Tribal CCDF Programs Webinar Series web page</a>	This three-part webinar series on Understanding and Addressing the Impact of COVID-19 in Tribal CCDF Programs was held by the Office of Child Care to understand the impact of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) in Tribal communities and identify ways to support Tribal CCDF programs' response to and recovery from the pandemic.
<a href="#">Cleaning, Disinfection, and Hand Hygiene in Schools: A Toolkit for School Administrators web page</a>	The CDC released guidance for cleaning, disinfecting, and procedures for hand hygiene in school environments.
<a href="#">Environmental Cleaning and Disinfection Recommendations web page</a>	CDC's COVID-19 Cleaning and Disinfection for Community Facilities Recommendations when there has been a suspected or confirmed case of COVID-19.
<a href="#">List N: Disinfectants for Use Against SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19) web page</a>	The CDC recommends using the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)'s list of disinfectants that are effective against the virus that causes COVID-19.
<a href="#">When &amp; How to Wash Your Hands web page</a>	CDC resource providing useful tips and tools for when and how to wash your hands.
<a href="#">Managing Infectious Diseases in Child Care and Schools</a>	This guide provides child care directors, teachers, and caregivers with essential information on the prevention and management of infectious diseases in group care settings.