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King County Executive  
**Dow Constantine**

# King County releases new health and safety guidelines to child care providers

March 24, 2020

### Summary

**Public Health Seattle & King County announced additional guidance for child care and early learning programs that are considered part of the essential workforce. In addition, King County will expand support services to providers.**

### Story

New health and safety guidance for child care providers remaining open during the COVID-19 outbreak include:

- Checklist for child care administrators to prevent COVID-19
- Guidance for what to do when a positive case of COVID-19 is confirmed in a facility
- COVID-19 fact sheet to share with families
- Additional recommendations to help prevent and prepare for cases of COVID-19 in the child care setting

More information is available on the website.

"Child care and early learning providers are among the heroes of this crisis. We must support this essential workforce with assistance and guidance, and do whatever we can for providers who want to remain open, and keep safe their staff and children in their care," said King County Executive Dow Constantine.

To support implementation of the new health and safety guidelines, King County will expand the services offered through its Child Care Health Program, including virtual trainings and a weekly community call, open to all licensed providers in King County.

The Public Health - Seattle & King County hotline for general COVID-19 questions and concerns:  
(206) 477-3977

## Relevant links

- [Updated COVID-19 Child Care Recommendations](#)
- [King County COVID-19 Response](#)
- [Public Health - Seattle & King County News](#)
- [Washington Department of Health](#)
- [Center for Disease Control](#)

## Quotes

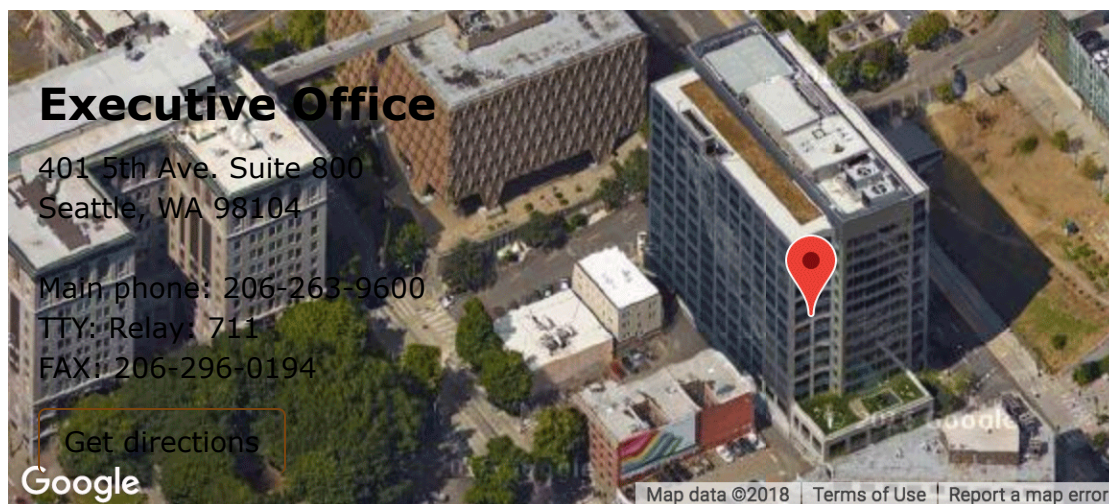


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*Dow Constantine, King County Executive*

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