The Children's Village

COVID-19 Protocol for Children in Residential Programs

Internal Communications:

- i) Where the positive case is a child:
 - (1) The Medical Director should inform the CPO and the relevant Executive team member of the positive test, so the Program Executive can advise relevant program administrators and affected staff members.
 - (2) If staff will be working with / in proximity to the child going forward, they should be told the identity of the child.
 - (a) Program leadership should advise such staff members that all staff who need to know the identity of the child will be informed, and that staff members should not discuss the identity with other staff who do not need to know.
 - (b) If a staff member believes that other staff need to know the identity of the child but have not been told by program leadership, staff should report that concern to their supervisor, and let their supervisor handle the communication.
 - (3) Staff who will be in proximity to a cottage where a positive-test child resides, should be told by program leadership that a child who has tested positive resides in the cottage, but not the identity of the child.

Procedures related to Children:

- b) Children exposed should be isolated together as a family/social unit covered by these staff only. Separate by symptomatic and asymptomatic by medical staff
 - i) Confirm team has PPE and continue daily temp checks
 - ii) Notification to family members that the child has been exposed to COVID-19
 - iii) They should be isolated in rooms
 - iv) Food and medicine brought to them in the cottages
 - v) Schooling and recreation done in cottage (utilization of Tablets if possible) Continue conversations with Recreation and IT. Allow for recreation time outside
 - (1) No interaction with other programs (including staff and children).
 - (2) Maintain social distancing measures
 - vi) Educating each child on COVID-19 by a member of the medical team that is developmentally and age appropriate
 - vii) All children should wear masks or facial coverings at all times in common areas

- c) For children who are positive:
 - i) They should be isolated in their rooms, the Unit nurse will do daily temps during the 14 day isolation period
 - ii) Children do not need to wear masks when they are alone in their rooms, but should wear masks if they need to come out into common areas
 - iii) Food and medicine should be brought to them in cottages
 - iv) Minimize interaction with other children in the cottage for 14 days
 - v) School packets to be done in their rooms
 - vi) Plan for some time outside for child(ren) maintaining social distancing and PPE measures
 - vii) Staff that interact with child(ren) who is unable to maintain social distancing measures should wear full PPEs

2) Supplies:

- a) decontamination cleaning within 24 hours of notification of positive case
- b) Confirm enough soaps and hand sanitizers
- c) Go over with team and youth frequent hygiene Efforts
- 3) <u>Underlying Medical Conditions</u>: Children with Underlying Medical Conditions should be on a separate list for medical team to monitor more closely during the Coronavirus outbreak <u>Mental Health and Behavior health Services</u> - Done by Telehealth

