



March 13, 2020

Dear Easterseals Head Start & Early Head Start Families:

Today we made the decision to close the Easterseals Head Start & Early Head Start beginning March 16, 2020 out of an abundance of caution due to the coronavirus. At this time, Head Start & Early Head Start sites will reopen March 30th, 2020. However, we will notify you as soon as possible if this information changes. All decisions will be made in conjunction with our local health department and the Prince George's County Public Schools. During the closure, the sites will undergo extensive cleaning, in accordance with CDC guidelines, and we will continue to monitor the COVID-19 situation in our community.

We are taking this action out of an abundance of caution, at this point there are NO confirmed cases of coronavirus from our children, staff, or families.

As previously shared, there are steps we can all take to continue to ensure our safety and wellbeing. These include:

- Wash - your hands often, for at least 20 seconds with soap and water
- Avoid- contact with your face, eyes, mouth, and people who are sick
- Cover - your cough, sneeze with a tissue or your elbow
- Clean - surfaces often with a disinfectant
- Stay home - when you're sick

If you or anyone in your family has any of the symptoms of COVID-19 (fever, cough, shortness of breath), please stay home contact your medical provider for evaluation and care. Before you seek care, it is recommended to call your healthcare provider and describe your symptoms.

We apologize for the inconvenience of this unexpected closure. Our top priority is the health and safety of our employees, children, and families. We are committed to supporting everyone through this closure and look forward to reopening once we receive more information. If you have additional questions, please direct them to your Center Director.

Stay safe,

Jevonna Willis
Director, Head Start