

At Kidz Kare, we understand we must all do our part to keep each other safe. It is important that all persons (staff, children, parents, visitors, etc.) do their best to keep 2 meters apart. This includes individuals part of the same family.

Reduce the risk of transmission during activities:

- Practice physical distancing as best as possible to maintain a two-meter (six feet) distance between staff and children. However, when not possible, other measures will be taken to help reduce the risks. For example, an individual blanket will be placed between staff and child should a toddler need comforting. The blanket will then be immediately placed in a container to be laundered. Hugs will be done with child facing away from staff and only if deemed necessary.
- Group sensory play will be suspended. No water tables and shared sensory bins will be allowed. Separate bins for individual children will be utilized.
- Reinforced "no sharing" policies and procedures. This includes the current practice of not sharing food, water bottles or personal items and belongings. Personal items should be clearly labelled with each child's name.
- Children of different care groups or cohorts will not be combined. Staff will stay in the same room with the same children up to 7 days. No mixing of cohorts on the playground or anytime during the day.
- Individual activities will be provided to increase space between children. Trays can be used for individual children's loose materials for exploration within 2 meter distance from another child at a table.
- Playgrounds and play spaces will be used by different cohort groups in staggered times to prevent over-crowding.
- Supervise and ensure that children practice hand hygiene frequently while using dedicated playgrounds and after using playground equipment.
- Maintain a 2-metre distance between cots. If space is restricted, children will be placed head-to-toe or toe-to-toe.

Should you have any questions or need further clarification on this matter, please notify TorontoSupport@kidzkare.ca.