DRAFT - NESD Head Start MODIFIED & VIRTUAL Services Guidance— COVID-19

To be used when operating using Plan B: Modified Services or Plan C: Full Virtual Services

In addition to: NESD COVID-19 Planning – OVERVIEW information

Class Schedules	IDEAS
Follow as closely to "normal" as past years	
Schedule (and list) extra hand washing times	
(arrival/departure, after free choice, etc.)	
Increase outdoor time when possible	Schedule normal "indoor" activities outside
RESOURCES:	

CLASSROOM SET-UP	IDEAS
Follow FIDELITY CHECKLIST —when not in conflict with COVID	Use last year's booklet as a guide – will not
recommendations	be filling out individually
<u>Limit large group</u> gatherings	Spread out using carpet squares, marks on
	floor, etc. / sit at tables
<u>Take out sand</u> /water table used as a group	Individual bags/bins of sensory experiences
Hard/ <u>easily cleaned surfaces only</u> (no cloth, blankets, etc.)	Dramatic play –laminate pictures of clothes
	for kids to stick on their image in the mirror
<u>Limit shared</u> art supplies	-HS purchased "art totes" for each child and
	the supplies to keep – label for each child
	-Easel painting – hand sanitize before using,
	wash hands after
Face chairs in same direction at tables if closer than 6 ft	-Push some tables against wall – chairs
	facing wall
	- Limit chairs at circle tables / limits # of kids
Books – fewer in library area / change out each day to allow	- let sit after taking out for several days
RESOURCES: "CC Fidelity Tool for Teachers"	

Assessment	IDEAS
Enter DIAL or SpeedDIAL results in GOLD as baseline	
(no DIAL – enter IEP skills into GOLD)	
Begin next observations and documentation ASAP	
RESOURCES: "DIAL-GOLD Correlation"	

CENTER CURRICULUM	IDEAS
Complete "First 6 Weeks" Study and 1 other study of choice	-Teachers choose which activities to
– by Dec. 17	complete in person/ which to send home virtual weeks
(will find out more Sept 3 rd at TS Training)	- More time when in class to complete small groups, etc.
Virtual Weeks in must include:	-Utilize what families have in their home
- 4-6 activities (should each only take 10-15 min to	when assigning activities (from their
complete) = OR EQUAL to ONE CC GUIDED LEARNING PLAN	"activity box" from HS AND what most
(Half must be from curriculum – study, mighty	families have)
minute, book discussion card, etc.)	,
(Half can be "other school readiness activities" from	
other resources)	
- <u>1 video contact/day</u> — via Class Dojo, Teaching Strategies, Zoom,	
etc. of your choice. (reading a book,	
sharing a small group, etc.)	
- 1 Post/Week – Class Dojo/Teaching Strategies (activity,	
encouragement, etc.	
- No requirements for using Ready Rosie – there as a	
resource as of right now (but no more than 2-3 at a time)	
- Can choose to do more if needed	
Full Virtual Families/Weeks must include:	-Find out how child is doing with sent-home
- In addition to the above	activities, get observation information from
- One personal check-in contact (phone call, one-on-	parents, etc.
one ZOOM, of your choice.	- CHILDPLUS / Child's Name / Family Services
- DOCUMENT in CHILDPLUS	/ Add Event
Emergency Lesson Plan	
Each site/classroom should have at least 2 weeks of	
"Emergency Lesson Plans" (to include videos	
and send home lessons) prepared in case no	
subs are available and support staff are not available	
SECOND STEP:	- Use the resources on the Second Step
Complete each lesson in the order intended- you can choose:	Website -
- 2 lessons in person week	https://www.secondstep.org/covid19support
- 1 lesson in person, 1 virtual	(activities, some pre-recorded lessons, etc.)
In-Kind:	
- Collect Monthly	

Parent Communication	IDEAS
<u>Class Dojo</u> – Information on NESD Website – Employee/Education	Sign up Teacher Assistants also
<u>TeachingStrategies</u> – Family App/Portal – more info to come	
Each Center/Home Visitor YouTube Channel – Information on NESD	
Website – Employee/Education on how to sign up	
School Messenger – System already in place – parents have to "opt	
in" – info in screening packet	

Attendance	IDEAS
CENTER - For children attending virtually – mark as "present offsite"	
HOME BASE–for weeks completing virtual hv – Under "Type of	
Contact" – Choose "Virtual Home Visit" (instead of Home Visit)	

Cleaning	IDEAS
Use Sample Cleaning Checklist to assign extra cleaning	- Schedule around other duties, utilize extra
duties – sign off when complete	staff who have open schedule time
Toys that are used often or have high chance of mouthing –	
clean daily / other toys weekly or more often , if needed	
RESOURCES: "Sample Cleaning Checklist"; "Cleaning"	

Meals/Snacks	IDEAS
See: "Food Service" Handout from Carol	

Professional Development	
Staff will be given Professional Development to complete if Fully Virtual (See "NESD Training Schedule 20-21)	

III Staff/Children	
Children/Staff at site: - Parent letter home (see Website) - School Messenger to all parents from week of exposure - Personal Call to classroom with exposure	"There has been an identified COVID case in the Head Start building. The DOH will contact you if your child was in close contact with this person. School will be completed virtually until watch Class Dojo for more information/ activities"
Sick Leave/ COVID Leave - Write "sick leave" on time sheet if staying home sick - IF illness is determined to be COVID related – add "COVID" next to "Sick Leave" on timesheet - Quarantining due to COVID exposure = "Sick Leave – COVID" - Caring for immediate family member with COVID = "Sick Leave – COVID" CONTACT YOUR SUPERVISOR AND HR WITH QUESTIONS	
STAY HOME IF SICK!	1

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HOME BASE CURRICULUM	IDEAS
Combo of Mini-Studies / Creative Curriculum / Parenting	-Home Visitors choose which activities to
- Current Mini-Studies = combo of Paper Copies /	complete in person/ which to send home
Hands-On activities	virtual weeks
Can choose between 1 study/week or extending a	- More time when in home to complete
study over several weeks	certain activities
 Teaching Strategies CLOUD = Combo of Virtual Services 	
and resources/ paper copies / hands-on activities	
 Ready Rosie – Parenting Curriculum – Videos/Resources 	
<u>Virtual Weeks</u> must include:	-Utilize what families have in their home
- <u>4-6 activities</u> (should each only take 10-15 min to	when assigning activities (from their
complete)	"activity box" from HS AND what most
*1 from curriculum (study, mighty	families have)
minute, book discussion card, etc.)	
*1 from "activity box materials"	
*1 literacy	
*1 from other items in their home	
- OPTIONAL:1 video contact – via Class Dojo, Teaching	
Strategies, Zoom, etc. of your choice. (reading a book,	
sharing an activity, etc.)	
Full Virtual Families/Weeks must include:	-Find out how child is doing with sent-home
- In addition to the above	activities, get observation information from
- One personal check-in contact (phone call, one-on-	parents, etc.
one ZOOM, of your choice.	
In-Kind:	-
- Collect Monthly	
RESOURCES: "Home Base Weekly In-Kind"	

Group Socialization	IDEAS
See above center guidance on classroom schedules, set-up, cleaning and meals/snacks - Home Base will be allowed to serve easy-pre-packaged snacks, sit on the floor around the room or send home with families to ensure social distancing / or pre-package by self	
RESOURCES: "Sample Cleaning Checklist"; "	