DEPARTMENT OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT GOVT. OF NCT OF DELHI ISBT BUILDING, KASHMERE GATE, DELHI-110006 (CHILD PROTECTION UNIT/STATE CHILD PROTECTION SOCIETY)

F.No-61(1517)/(Advisory/Guidelines)/CCIs/SCPS/DWCD/2021-22/

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measures

Subject: Guidelines for Child Care Institutions regarding measures for prevention and control the spread of Corona Virus.

The situation of COVID-19 in Delhi has been assessed/ reviewed by worthy Chief Secretary, Delhi and it has been observed that there has been a persistent rise in COVID -19 cases in NCT of Delhi during recent past and therefore, it has become necessary to take certain emergency measures to prevent & contain the spread of virus in the interest of public health.

Delhi Disaster Management Authority has issued various orders/instructions from time to time to all authorities concerned to take all required measures to appropriately deal with the situation.

An order dated: 10.04.2021 has been issued by Worthy Chief Secretary to sensitize the field functionaries about instructions for strict compliance, in letter and spirit.

The Department of Women and Child Development, Govt. of NCT of Delhi had already issued various advisories/guidelines to combat outbreak of COVID-19 and contain spread of COVID-19 in the Child Care Institutions.

There are 26 Govt. run and 75 NGO run Child Care Institutions (CCIs) in Delhi which provides Care and Protection services to the children. Superintendents/ Person In-Charge being head of their respective Child Care Institutions are responsible to provide appropriate services to the children residing in their respective Child Care Institutions. Therefore, following guidelines are being issued for all functionaries of Child Care Institutions to prevent the possible spread of infection in the institutions.

Measures to reduce risk of Coronavirus (COVID 19)

 Children to be taught to keep their hands clean by washing with soap and water. Standard drill of washing hands before and after meal has to be strictly supervised when children assemble in dining hall for meal.

- Children to be taught to cover their nose and mouth with bend elbow or tissue while child cough and sneeze and then dispose of the used tissues immediately.
- Children to be told about DO's and Dont's are mentioned thereunder:

	DON'Ts
Cover your nose and mouth with disposable tissue or handkerchief while coughing or sneezing Frequently wash your hands with soap and water Avoid crowded places Person suffering from influenza like illness must be confined at home. Stay more than one arm's length distance from person sick with flu. Take adequate sleep and rest Drink plenty of water/liquids and eat nutritious food. Person suspected with influenza like illness must consult doctor	 Touching eyes, nose or mouth with unwashed hands. Hugging, Kissing and shaking hand while greeting Spitting in public places Taking medicines without consulting doctor Disposal of used napkin or tissue paper in open areas Touching surfaces usually used by public (Railing, door gates etc.)

Since all the Institution are providing residential facilities, utmost care need to be taken against spread infections among children. Superintendent/Home In-Charge are requested to strictly adhere to following:

- In case any child is found suffering from cough or sneeze or showing similar symptoms, doctor must be consulted immediately.
- Such child will be segregated so that other children may not get infected and at the same time by way of segregation full attention is paid to the suffering child
- In case of any emergency, nearby hospital will be contacted.

Further, Department had issued an order dated: 10.12.2020, whereby, all the Superintendent/ Person In-Charges of CCIs were directed to create a the Reception Units in their respective Child Care Institutions as provisions of Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 and Model Rules,

2016. Accordingly all are once again directed to create reception unit in their respective Child Care Institutions, wherein "New admission" children can be placed for 14 days of Quarantine period.

In case any child is found COVID positive in any Child Care Institutions, the Superintendent/Home In-Charges/ Person In-Charges are hereby directed to co-ordinate with COVID Care Centres designated by Govt. of NCT of Delhi for further care and treatment.

In view of above, all Superintendent/Home In-Charges/ Person In-Charges are hereby directed to take all remedial measures to ensure best protection for all the Children residing in Child Care Institutions to protect them from any infection including the Coronavirus (COVID 19).

This issues with the prior approval of the Director, WCD.

KIRAN GANDHI JOINT DIRECTOR, CPU/SCPS

To,

- 1. All Superintendent/Home In-Charge (Govt. & NGO run) Child Care Institutions.
- 2. All District officers. DWCD
- 3. All Principal Magistrate, Juvenile Justice Boards
- 4. All Chairperson, Child Welfare Committees.
- 5. All District Child Protection Officer, DCPUs

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1. Secretary to Hon'ble Minister (SW & WCD).

2. OSD to Chief Secretary, Govt. of NCT of Delhi.

3. Registrar, Juvenile Justice Committee, High Court of Delhi.

4. OSD to Secretary (SW & WCD).

5. PS to Director (WCD).

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