**EarlyON Family Resource Connection Participant Guidelines and Code of Conduct During Covid-19**

By attending Family Resource Connection’s Outdoor Programming, I acknowledge that I agree to follow the guidelines mandated by Toronto Public Health, The Ministry of Education, and Toronto Children’s Services.

**Before Arriving:**

Screen myself, my children, and the children I am looking after for signs and symptoms of Covid-19 and verify all **“no responses”** for myself and **each child**. Screening will be **performed before visiting the program each time we attend.** I agree to verify in writing that the screening process has been completed using the forms provided when I arrive.

If parents/guardians screen their children before they come to care, caregivers are responsible for screening the children before coming to the outdoor session in addition to screening by the parents/guardian. Parents/Guardians are not required to fill out the screening forms. The caregiver will do that at the outdoor session.

I understand that all NO answers for each participant must be indicated to attend that EarlyON outdoor program and that individuals who answer YES to any of the screening questions **must not** be permitted to participate in outdoor programming.

 I understand screening records will be kept for 12 months and then destroyed.

My children and I **will not** visit the outdoor program if we are ill and will report any signs and symptoms associated to EarlyON staff prior to arrival or if we become ill while at the EarlyON program.

**When Arriving:**

This is a pilot outdoor program. The Covid-19 situation is changing rapidly. Due to the spike of Covid-19 in Toronto, all adults are required to wear a mask/face covering during outdoor programming even when physically distancing.

Sign attendance records for contact tracing purposes **each time** we come to the program.

Verify in writing I have completed screenings on myself and my children with all NO responses using the forms provided.

I understand contact tracing attendance records will only be used for contact tracing purposes and will be destroyed after 30 days.

Inform EarlyON staff if my children or I become ill while at the program and leave the program if we become ill.

Disinfect my hands with hand sanitizer before and after using outdoor play equipment and upon arrival and departure from the program.

Limit the types of personal items I bring to the outdoor EarlyON program and ensure they are not shared with others

Items such as soothers bottles and water bottles must be clearly labelled to prevent accidental sharing. Temporary labels/stickers are acceptable.

Food will not be brought to the EarlyON program area.

**While at the Outdoor EarlyON Program:**

Due to the spike of Covid-19 cases all adults must wear a mask or face covering at all times. It is recommended that children over the age of two also wear a face mask. (Wearing masks is not recommended by Toronto Public Health for children under two.)

Physical **Distancing:**

I understand that I am responsible for ensuring a physical distance of 6 feet (2 meters) is maintained at all times between myself and other participants,and the childrenin my care and other participants.

EarlyON staff are required to maintain distancing of 6 feet (2 meters) between themselves, adult participants, and the children.

Should physical distancing be difficult to maintain between individual groupings, EarlyON staff will verbally remind children and adults to maintain physical distancing, keep hands to themselves, etc.

If the health and safety of children, adults, and staff is at risk due to inability to physically distance or other factors, participants may be asked to leave the program to protect the health safety and well-being of all.

**Illness or Suspected Cases of Covid-19 While Attending Outdoor Programming**

Public Health recommends that staff and participants who become ill attend an assessment Centre for testing as soon as possible and self-isolate at home until their test is available.

Toronto Public Health recommends that if a child or parent/caregiver becomes ill with symptoms of Covid-19 while at the EarlyON program, they immediately separate from the rest of the group and go home. They will be referred to a Covid-19 assessment Centre and Toronto Public Health information.

The area will be cleaned and disinfected immediately after participants/staff with symptoms have left.

**Confirmed Cases of Covid-19**

EarlyON Family Resource Connection will follow the current guidelines from Toronto Public Health (TPH) regarding reporting positive cases of Covid-19. EarlyON staff and participants who are being managed by Toronto Public Health (e.g. confirmed or probable cases of Covid-19, close contacts of cases) must follow TPH instructions to determine when to return to the EarlyON program.

**Reporting Requirements:**

**The Ministry of Education and Toronto Public Health requires that all EarlyON Services Provider’s must immediately report laboratory confirmed cases in children, staff, parents, guardians, or caregivers to Toronto Public Health.**