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IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM THE MINISTER OF FAMILIES

The FSSS-CSN is in regular contact with the Ministry of Families to put in place the necessary measures in connection with the coronavirus pandemic. We want to make sure that workers' rights are protected and that information gets out quickly.

Following a conference call with the Ministère de la Famille (MFA), here is some important information from the MFA for educational childcare services in regulated and subsidized family settings.

Why has the government closed the daycare centers and home childcare providers?

The Legault government announced on March 13 the closure of educational childcare services (CPE and RSG) for a period of two weeks.

The government has closed the CPE and RSG mainly to protect the elderly who gravitate around toddlers.

What can I expect if I work in daycare (CPE)?

This means that we will only receive children of parents working in essential services with proof of identity. If we do not know the parent, a reduced form and a letter will be sent to all daycare centers and home childcare providers.

The management of the CPE / BC retains its management rights. She could therefore ask the workers to do administrative, disinfection or other tasks. The Minister tells us that the educators will not be considered on vacation.

What should I expect for essential service workers?

To provide childcare services to essential service workers (health network, pre-hospital, police, firefighters, correctional officers), workers should expect to be at work with groups different and to an exceptional extent, they will be able to bring their own children.

Who will be entitled to these services?

They will be workers in essential services: pre-hospital, health, firefighter, police, correctional officer.

How to get this right?

Workers will be required to present an identity card.

Will I be protected as a CPE or RSG worker?

Everything will be done in collaboration with public health. The [protective measures](#) put forward by public health will apply.

I am RSG, what should I do?

Home childcare providers may see parents of essential services workers knocking on your door. A reduced form will be provided to you. The same ratio rules will apply for RSG.

Can I bill the parents?

No. No fees should be charged to parents. The ministry will pay the full cost.

How to get the right information in real time?

The MFA will publish frequently asked questions shortly. In addition, your union representatives remain on the lookout and transfer information to you as you go. We are in constant collaboration with the ministry and the cabinet so that everyone is well informed.

We invite you to visit the website dedicated to the [CSN](#) and [FSSS-CSN](#) coronavirus.

Any questions can be sent to us by email at the following address : coronavirus@csn.qc.ca.

Please let us know your job title, the name of your union or employer, and a way to contact you. We will try to answer them as soon as possible.