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Beth Bye Commissioner

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TO: Providers of Services to Young Children

FROM: Beth Bye, Commissioner

RE: Conoravirus Memo #26 REVISED Child Care Guidance Regarding State of CT Travel Advisories

The Office of Early Childhood understands that programs serving young children are impacted by <u>Governor Lamont's executive orders</u> related to travelers to Connecticut, such as <u>Executive Order No.</u> <u>9C</u>. This order requires that anyone traveling into Connecticut from a state with a positive case rate higher than 10 per 100,000 residents, or higher than a 10% test positivity rate over a 7-day rolling average, or from a country for which the <u>Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has</u> <u>issued a Level 3 Travel Health Notice</u> are directed to self quarantine for a period of fourteen days from the time of last contact with the identified state or country. Affected Travelers may also utilize a testing alternative to self-quarantine as directed by the Executive Order.

The OEC strongly urges programs to frequently review new <u>executive orders</u> as they are issued for any updates and to put in writing its policy for how it will implement this travel advisory and share such policy with all staff and parents.

In developing this policy, the program may wish to consider:

- Reference to the advisory by the State of Connecticut;
- Inclusion of the web address for travel advisory as the source of information: <u>ct.gov/coronavirus/travel</u>
- Identification of steps the program will take relative to children and its employees who travel to identified states;
- Posting the policy and/or the travel advisory on site at the program;
- The term of the policy to coincide with the travel advisory or until Executive Order 7III expires.

The State of Connecticut maintains an information page related to the travel advisory, including the list of impacted states, the Connecticut Travel Health Form and information on a testing alternative for an affected traveler that is unable to self-quarantine at <u>https://portal.ct.gov/Coronavirus/travel</u>.

The CDC guidance for travelers is available at <u>https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/travel-in-the-us.html</u>.

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