

Can my child go to daycare?

COVID-19 guidance for children aged six months through five years.

Observe or talk to your child every day to see if they have any new or worsening symptoms.

If your child has mild symptoms, they still need to self-isolate at home, but you can keep them at home for 24 hours to see if they get better or if new symptoms start.

Pre-existing conditions don't apply. For example, a child with asthma may have a cough, and some children get frequent runny noses during cold weather. You might want to talk to your daycare provider about what is normal for them.

RED symptoms

- Fever/chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing

YELLOW symptoms

- Headache
- Runny nose or congestion
- Sore throat
- Nausea/vomiting or diarrhea
- Fatigue, or just unwell (acute/intense fatigue, generalized muscle aches not related to physical exertion, significant loss of appetite)



If your child has **one or more RED** symptoms, **testing is STRONGLY recommended.** **Your child should NOT attend daycare until you get their test results from your health care provider.**

If you don't have your child tested:

If symptoms clear up sooner than 10 days without testing, self isolation is still required unless you are told otherwise by your family physician or your rural primary health care centre.

In this age group, these symptoms can be a sign of many different illnesses. If you feel your child is sick please seek urgent care.



If your child has **YELLOW** symptoms, **but no red symptoms** (such as fever), testing is optional.

If you have your child tested:

Your child should NOT attend daycare until you get their test results from your health care provider.

If you don't have your child tested:

Your child can return to regular activities when symptoms have gone away.

Exceptions: If your child is **throwing up or has diarrhea**, keep him/her at home until 24 hours after symptoms have gone away.

If **runny nose/nasal congestion** lasts longer than 24 hours, is mild and not getting worse, and the child is otherwise well, they may return to daycare.

You don't need a written note from your health care provider for your child to return to daycare.



Your child has NO symptoms.

Your child can go to daycare.

If old enough, continue to encourage to them to follow the Safe 6.

This guidance DOES NOT apply if:

- Your child is a contact of someone who has COVID-19.
- Your child is severely immunocompromised or has a complex medical history.
- Your child recently returned from travel outside of Yukon.