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Public Health Advice for Play Facilities

To safeguard public health and prevent the spread of infectious diseases, staff of play facilities should adopt the following measures:

- (a) Post up notice at the entrance of the facilities, reminding those having infectious diseases not to enter the facility areas. Closely monitor all incoming visitors. If visitors are suspected to have any infectious diseases, advise them not to enter the facility areas.
- (b) Post up posters related to prevention of infectious diseases in conspicuous places to enhance the public's awareness of infectious diseases.
- (c) Keep places, e.g. play facilities, corridors, changing rooms, toilets clean at all times.
- (d) Regular clean and disinfect all places and facilities, especially frequently touched surfaces such as furniture, toys and shared items with 1:99 diluted household bleach regularly (mixing 1 part of 5.25% bleach with 99 parts of water), leave for 15 – 30 minutes, and then rinse with water and keep dry. For metallic surface, disinfect with 70% alcohol.
- (e) Use absorbent disposable towels to wipe away obvious contaminants such as respiratory secretions, vomitus or excreta, and then disinfect the surface and neighbouring areas with 1:49 diluted household bleach (mixing 1 part of 5.25% bleach with 49 parts of water), leave for 15 – 30 minutes and then rinse with water and keep dry. For metallic surface, disinfect with 70% alcohol.



- (f) Provide adequate hand washing facilities, including hand washing facilities and 70% - 80% alcohol-based handrub for hand hygiene.
- (g) Maintain good indoor ventilation and make sure air conditioning systems are functioning well.

2. Young children are at higher risk of being infected because they have less capacity of taking care of their own personal hygiene and they tend to have a greater chance of direct physical contact with other children and person. Hence, staff should pay special attention when arranging activities involving young children under 6 years old during peak season of infectious diseases:

- (a) Adjust the size of group activities for young children such that adequate adult supervision can be given to every child to ensure good hygiene at all times.
- (b) Adult, preferably parent's supervision to ensure personal hygiene of children.
- (c) Suspend ball pools and other activities involving lots of simultaneous sharing of toys among many young children.
- (d) Clean and disinfect toys and other objects shared by young children frequently, and immediately if soiled.
- (e) Clean the venue thoroughly between each session of activities before another group of children comes in.

3. For further details on infection control measures in play facilities, please refer to Section 6.3 Child Care Facilities under Guidelines on Infection Control and Prevention in Hotel Industry at CHP website:

http://www.chp.gov.hk/en/guideline_infection/346.html

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