



A NOTE TO OUR FAMILIES

UPDATE: CDI REMAINS OPEN AS ESSENTIAL PROVIDER DURING SECOND PROVINCIAL STATE OF EMERGENCY

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As the province begins its second state of emergency and stay-at-home order to address the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, Child Development Institute (CDI) locations across Toronto, including [CDI Early Learning Centres](#) for non-school aged children, remain open to support children, youth and families.

CDI is a children's mental health provider designated by the Ontario Government as an essential service. In our commitment to the mental health and well-being of families, we continue to support high-priority families with scheduled in-person service delivery. Program service delivery is also available to current and past families through video and tele-counselling services delivered by our clinicians and psychologists.

All CDI locations strictly adhere to public health requirements, safety and operational safeguards and additional infection prevention and control measures to ensure the health and safety of children, youth, families and employees. Drop-ins at all CDI locations are not permitted.

In response to the urgent need of support in this current context, CDI's new virtual offerings in [Early Intervention](#), [Family Violence](#), [Integra Learning Disabilities & Mental Health \(LDMH\)](#) and [Healthy Child Development](#) services work to strengthen resiliency in families. Our EarlyON Child and Family Centres services are also available online for all children and families, keeping children engaged and connected each week through live stream sing-alongs and rhymes, Circle Time and reading, live webinars and fun activities. Click [here](#) to join in on CDI's [Virtual EarlyON Programming](#).

We encourage you to visit our [COVID-19 Resource Centre](#) on our website to learn helpful ways to engage your child during this time, and discover tips on managing anxious feelings and parenting in a pandemic.

Thank you,

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