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FAQs for Practitioners on Reopening of Early Learning and Care and School-Age Childcare settings



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1. Will I need to have my temperature checked when attending for work?

No, the public health advice is that routine temperature checking for staff is not required.

2. Do I need to get tested for COVID-19 before I go back to work?

No, public health advice is that you do not need to be tested for COVID-19 unless you are displaying symptoms such as fever (high temperature), cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing. You should not attend the service if you are displaying symptoms but should instead stay home and contact your GP. You should also let your manager know that you are displaying symptoms and are unable to come to work.

3. Will I be prioritised for testing?

Current public health advice is that you do not need to be prioritised for testing. You should not attend the service if you are displaying symptoms. You should self-isolate as quickly as possible and telephone your doctor. Your doctor will arrange testing for you if you need a test. You should also let your manager know that you are displaying symptoms and are unable to come to work.