

## **System of controls: protective measures for COVID19 at Alfresco Childcare (MARCH 2022)**

**All legal Covid restrictions in England have now ended under the government's "Living with Covid" plan.**

Further Advice:

Having assessed our risk, Alfresco will work through the system of controls, adopting measures in a way that addresses the risk identified in our assessment. This is in line with the learning and development needs of children in our nursery. We include full educational and care support for those children who have SEND.

At Alfresco we:

- ensure that all staff understand the system of controls and how they are applied in the setting.
- ensure that parents and carers are aware of the system of controls, how this impacts them and their responsibilities in supporting it
- we introduce new measures where required due any new national lockdowns in the future.

By following the guidance on the system of controls, they will effectively reduce risks in our setting and create an inherently safer environment.

**System of controls** - They are grouped into 'prevention' and 'response to any infection'.

### **Response to any infection**

- You are not legally required to self-isolate as of 24<sup>th</sup> February or take daily tests if you have been in contact with someone who has tested positive, regardless of your vaccination status.
- To stay at home if you contract COVID to stop any spread of infection for at least 5 days

### **Prevention**

- To stay at home if you contract COVID to stop any spread of infection for at least 5 days
- Clean hands thoroughly more often than usual.
- Ensure good respiratory hygiene by promoting the 'catch it, bin it, kill it' approach.
- Continue to clean the nursery with antibacterial spray.
- Where necessary, wear appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE).
- Leave windows open to improve ventilation

### **Engage with the NHS Test and Trace process**

The [Test and Trace Support Payment Scheme](#) will end. If you were told to self-isolate before 24 February you can still make a claim up to 6 April.

We will be following the 'Living with Covid' guidance from the government  
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-response-living-with-covid-19/covid-19-response-living-with-covid-19>