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To: **Community Care Providers**

Subject: **Critical Services Guidelines – Child Care Facilities (other than Foster Homes) Licensing**

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Effective immediately, Placement Resources Unit licensing specialists will may now conduct in-home visits at child care facilities (group care) in situations that have been deemed critical. Criteria and precautions that need to be taken when conducting a visit are outlined in the attached Critical Services Guidelines – Child Care Facilities (other than Foster Homes) Licensing.

A pre-screening assessment in the attachment should be completed by licensing specialists before each in-home visit.

Resources from Shared Health are also included to support licensing specialists and facility staff in terms of proper hand-washing and the use of personal protective equipment when conducting in-home visits at child care facilities (other than foster homes).

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