



Infection control Policy

Purpose of this document

This policy aims to outline the overriding principles that the CJJ trustees commit to when planning and providing a safe camping experience for our families and volunteers with the aim of limiting the spread of infectious diseases such as coronavirus while on camp.

Introduction

The CJJ trustees value the health and safety of our families and volunteers. It is a priority for the trustees to ensure that Camp Jojo has addressed the risk of coronavirus infection and other infectious diseases fully and in line with current local and national guidelines.

Coronavirus (COVID-19) is a respiratory virus which is spread through contact with an infected individuals' respiratory secretions. This can occur through droplets in the air or through contact with contaminated surfaces. For the majority of those infected, symptoms range from asymptomatic to a self-limiting flu-like illness. Sadly, for a significant minority it can produce severe respiratory illness.

Camp Jojo offers a camping experience to children with a range of physical and behavioural needs. We recognise that this is a vulnerable group that may have increased risk of contracting infectious disease and may have increased risk of severity from infectious diseases. We recognise that parents, grandparents, carers and volunteers will also have their own health and social factors which may increase their risk from contracting infectious diseases.

National guidance may change in response to the changing picture of the coronavirus pandemic. It is important that although the general overriding principles in this policy are likely to remain unchanged, the specific details of an infectious disease control procedures document needs to be prepared in the light of guidance at the time of the camps.

General principals

The trustees agree to respect these principles when planning and preparing the camps:

- 1. An infectious disease control procedures document is required for the camps. In particular this will be:**
 - a. Maintained to ensure it is relevant and up to date.**

- b. Shared with trustees, volunteers, carers and parents who will be present on camp.
- c. Guided by local and national government guidelines at the time.

2. A risk assessment will be conducted prior to camps to assess the risk of infectious disease spread on site during camps and suggest ways these risks can be mitigated (to inform the procedures document as above)

3. Recognise that individuals present with different risks of infection and that there may be need for individual risk assessments to consider factors such as age, ethnicity, and medical history.

4. Recognise and promote infectious disease control principles such as:

- a. Hand hygiene
- b. Clean surfaces
- c. Use of personal protective equipment (PPE) such as gloves, aprons, masks, in appropriate settings.
- d. Respiratory hygiene and cough etiquette.
- e. Safe use and disposal of sharps
- f. Safe disposal of clinical waste.

Review date

It is the intention of the board of trustees to review the coronavirus policy at each board meeting during the pandemic.

This document was last reviewed on:

Next review due on: ...This policy is being regularly updated.....

The Policy was discussed and approved by the full Board of Trustees, and this approval minuted at the meeting on:

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