

Infected Disease Control Policy 2020

Farm-Based Therapy

- ALL team members and patients are required to wear masks at all times of close contact (within 6ft.)
 - If the child is unable to comply with mask wearing, the therapist AND sidewalker will wear a face shield in addition to the mask. *
 - Face shields will be cleaned thoroughly with alcohol between each patient.
 - Team member's face masks must be switched out for a new/clean one every 2 hrs unless covered by a face shield.
 - Therapists will be responsible for proper care of reusable masks and/or proper disposal of disposable masks.
- Patient contact guidelines:
 - The waiting area(s) will be closed, parent will call/text therapist upon arrival and therapist will go out to car to retrieve child when ready to start session.
 - Therapist and child will sanitize hands prior to start of activities.
 - Therapist and child will both wear mask during entire session. **see above plan if child unable to wear mask.*
 - Therapist will have child wash/sanitize hands at end of session, then walk child out to parent.
 - Therapists will send summary emails to parents with extensive follow up information as needed rather than holding conversation at length in-person.
- Disinfectants will be used for thorough cleaning of space, equipment, surfaces, toys etc. between each patient use.
- Therapist will designate specific items used for each session (3 max) to avoid unnecessary contamination of objects and keep clean up time between sessions lower.

- The designated team will consist of (4) persons including horse leader, sidewalker, therapist, floater.
- Barns will be closed to all visitors, only staff will be allowed in these areas.
- Social distancing (6ft rule) must be practiced at all times unless during child handoff or under appropriate circumstances with therapist approval.
- Parents will be allowed to walk on grounds as long as buildings are avoided and social distancing rules are respected. Masks must be worn.

All policies will be strictly reinforced and refined as the conditions ease and in accordance with CDC recommendations as well as Governor Hogan's guidance.