

This is a message from the California Department of Education (CDE), Early Learning and Care Division (ELCD).

Subject: Suspension of FY 19-20 Early Learning and Care Division (ELCD) Onsite Program Monitoring Reviews

Dear ELCD Contractors:

The priority of the Early Learning and Care Division (ELCD) is the health and safety of the children and families we serve as well as that of the staff in each of your programs. As part of health and safety measures to mitigate the novel Coronavirus (COVID-19), the ELCD is suspending onsite contract monitoring reviews until further notice. For the remainder of the fiscal year, reviews may be scheduled on an as needed basis. Contractors who are scheduled for a review will participate remotely from their locations and transmit documentation electronically.

As state and health officials provide updated information about California's COVID-19 emergency, the ELCD will determine next steps and keep you informed of them. Please keep your ELCD Field Consultant informed as conditions at your agency change.

Additionally, the ELCD has established a dedicated email address to receive public inquiries related to ELCD programs and emergency concerns. This e-mail address is ELCDEmergency@cde.ca.gov. When sending questions to the email address, please specify the program county in the subject line and/or the body of the email. This information is necessary to enable the ELCD to forward the questions to the appropriate office for a timely response.

The CDE is monitoring COVID-19 situation and working closely with agency partners. Contractors are encouraged to follow California Department of Public Health recommendations. For more information visit <https://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/he/hn/coronavirus.asp>.

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