

# Coronavirus (COVID-19)

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FOR DIRECTORS OF HOME CHILDCARE COORDINATING OFFICES

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## 1- INSTRUCTION NO. 20 – COMPENSATION FOR THE PARENTAL CONTRIBUTION AND PAYMENT OF SUBSIDIES TO HOME CHILDCARE PROVIDERS (HCPs) IN THE CONTEXT OF COVID-19

On June 5, 2020, the Ministère de la Famille (MFA) published Instruction no. 20 regarding the compensation for the parental contribution and the payment of subsidies to home childcare providers (HCPs) in the context of COVID-19. A number of questions have been raised about its application. The instruction (in French only) can be accessed at this link: <https://www.mfa.gouv.qc.ca/fr/services-de-garde/bc/instructions-bc/Pages/instructions-bc.aspx>

### A) Compensation for the parental contribution for APSS days

Predetermined APSS<sup>1</sup> days (statutory holidays – AD) are included in the calculation of the compensation payable for the parental contribution during the phased re-opening period. HCPs therefore receive compensation for the parental contribution for any AD days taken.

Non-determined APSS days (vacation – AN) are not included in the calculation of the compensation payable for the parental contribution during the phased re-opening period. HCPs therefore do not receive any compensation for the parental contribution for any vacation days (AN) taken.

### B) Child whose parent is exempted from paying the basic contribution (ECP child)

A HCP who provides childcare to an ECP child receives an additional allowance for this child. The compensation payable for the parental contribution takes into account the ECP allowance received.

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<sup>1</sup> Days when subsidized childcare services are not delivered.

## *Examples*

A HCP has six service agreements, including one concerning an ECP child. The compensation payable for the parental contribution is determined as follows:

- Period of emergency childcare services: compensation for five children and ECP allowance for one child;
- Period of phased re-opening at 50%: compensation for two children and ECP allowance for one child;
- Period of phased re-opening at 75%: no compensation and ECP allowance for one child.

A HCP has six service agreements for six ECP children. Compensation for the parental contribution will be paid for the six ECP children.

## **C) End of the easing of Instruction no. 9 concerning the awarding and payment of subsidies to HCPs**

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the MFA introduced easing measures regarding the application of Instruction no. 9. The requirement for the transmission of documents (subsidy claim forms and attendance sheets) by the HCP according to the dates set in the subsidy payment calendar was in fact suspended on March 20.

Today, a notice will be deposited in the online financial files of all the coordinating offices informing them that this easing measure has now ended.

*The Information Bulletin from the Ministère de la Famille is a publication that provides periodic information updates for educational childcare providers during the pandemic. Be sure to always consult the latest version of the Bulletin because the information on a given topic will most likely be updated as the situation evolves.*

If you do not find the answers to your questions on these websites, please call the Centre des services à la clientèle et des plaintes of the MFA at the toll-free number 1-855-336-8568, between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday.