

**From:** [dhhrrwbttinfo@wv.gov](mailto:dhhrrwbttinfo@wv.gov) <[dhhrrwbttinfo@wv.gov](mailto:dhhrrwbttinfo@wv.gov)>

**Sent:** Friday, July 24, 2020 10:20 AM

**Subject:** [External] IMPORTANT - WVBTT requirements related to COVID-19

**Importance:** High

**CAUTION: External email. Do not click links or open attachments unless you verify sender.**

Dear Practitioners and Service Coordinators

I am writing to remind you again of the importance of following all the WVBTT requirements related to COVID-19! These are not general requirements for the population, but specific to people who are providing WV Birth to Three services.

**In areas where the virus is spreading at a very high rate, such as Morgantown, Charleston, and others – you must be especially careful about your interactions with everyone, and especially with children and families you are serving.**

Please be sure you are aware of how the virus is spreading in your area. You may need to just take a couple of weeks and do services by Teleconference to limit any possibility of exposing yourself or other children and families.

I also would like to suggest that you sure can ask families if they will be wearing face coverings for your visits. If the family says no, you can tell them that you cannot provide F-F services unless they wear a face covering. That is up to you and would make sense with the way the virus is currently spreading.

I want to remind you that we have some posted Q/A for everyone (you can copy and paste these links) [http://www.wvdhhr.org/birth23/covid\\_emails/wvbtt\\_qanda\\_June152020.pdf](http://www.wvdhhr.org/birth23/covid_emails/wvbtt_qanda_June152020.pdf)

and one for Service Coordinators regarding how to extend a potential expiring IFSP [http://www.wvdhhr.org/birth23/covid\\_emails/Service\\_Coorindation\\_Q\\_A\\_May2020.pdf](http://www.wvdhhr.org/birth23/covid_emails/Service_Coorindation_Q_A_May2020.pdf)

There are also several posted statewide emails under the COVID-19 Emails sticker on that same page. [http://www.wvdhhr.org/birth23/comm\\_field.asp](http://www.wvdhhr.org/birth23/comm_field.asp)

These include important information regarding requirements during your services – including a more recent one that requires quarantine after travelling out of state for vacation – please read those again!

Please be careful with the services you are providing and if there is concerned about the spread of COVID-19, just take some time away from F-F and do Teleconference.

Being safe is important for everyone!

Please let us know if there are questions. Thank you!

Pam and WVBTT Team  
[pam.s.roush@wv.gov](mailto:pam.s.roush@wv.gov)