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Good afternoon PIC Families,

This week, the Early Learning program successfully put into practice the new health and safety protocols designed by PIC’s Reopening Task Force. I want to thank you for your continued patience as we navigate the changing world of Pennsylvania child care in the age of COVID-19.

Today, I must re-emphasize that COVID-19 guidelines are changing rapidly and even daily, as we learn more about the spread of the virus. In order to stay in compliance with local state and federal guidance, our practices may change.

Pennsylvania and Philadelphia have instituted quarantine recommendations for residents who travel to areas with increasing levels of COVID-19. As you may know, Delaware has just become a restricted travel state and Philadelphians should self-quarantine once they return.

As stated in the COVID-19 Family Handbook, we will communicate all PIC COVID-19 policy changes. The Handbook will be updated to reflect changes that are made. Until then, please see the travel policy that we have implemented and goes into effect immediately.

PIC COVID-19 Travel Policy Addition:
Families and Staff who travel to a state with increasing cases of COVID-19 should self-quarantine for a 14-day period. The quarantine period begins the date of return to Philadelphia or surrounding areas. For the health and safety of our full community, we ask that you notify Deb Green of your travel plans at dgreen@parentinfantcenter.org so that we can plan staffing based on enrollment numbers.
As with all safety guidelines PIC follows, our goal is to keep everyone in the PIC community safe, and proceed with caution so that PIC will remain open.

Thank you,

Deb Green
Executive Director

Added resources:

- Guidelines from the CDC direct us to follow state and local travel restrictions.
- The CDC reminds us to check the state or local health department before and during travel.
- The City of Philadelphia website has a detailed map of “red” states.