

# COVID-19 RISK ASSESSMENT



**Covid-19 is an illness that can affect people’s lungs and airways. It is caused by a virus called Coronavirus. Symptoms can be mild, moderate, severe, or fatal.**

This is a risk assessment for Red Robin Therapy (RRT) to deal with the current Covid-19 situation in the workplace. Where RRT is working on behalf of a third-party organisation or at a third-party location, RRT will follow the guidance /requirements of that organisation/location as a minimum requirement but reserves the right to adhere to RRT’s risk assessment guidance when necessary.

What are the hazards?	Who might be harmed	Controls Required	Additional Controls	Action by who?	Action by when?	Done
Spread of Covid-19 Coronavirus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vulnerable groups - pregnant mothers, children or families with existing underlying health conditions</li> <li>• Volunteers</li> <li>• Anyone else who physically meets me in relation to my business</li> </ul>	<p><b>GENERAL</b> <b>Hand Washing</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hand washing facilities with soap and water in place.</li> <li>• Stringent hand washing taking place.</li> <li>• Drying of hands with disposable paper towels.</li> <li>• Emollient cream available.</li> <li>• Gel sanitisers in any location where washing facilities not readily available</li> </ul> <p><b>Cleaning</b> Cleaning and disinfecting objects and surfaces that are touched regularly particularly in areas of high use such as door handles, light switches, using appropriate cleaning products and methods.</p>	<p>Handwashing will take place on a regular basis for 20 seconds with water and soap and dried with disposable towels. Coughs and sneezes will be caught in tissues - following the ‘Catch it, Bin it, Kill it’ advice. Touching the face, eyes, nose or mouth with unclean hands will be avoided. RRT will have a supply of tissues at all times.</p> <p>Additional controls are applied to specific situations and locations - see below.</p>			

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		<p><b>Social Distancing</b>                  Social Distancing – maintaining a 2-metre (6.5 foot) gap when possible. Additional use of PPE when not possible.</p> <p>Conference calls to be used instead of face to face meetings.</p> <p><b>Wearing of Gloves</b>                  Depends on location. RRT to have a supply of gloves at all times.</p> <p><b>PPE</b>                  Depends on location. RRT to have a supply of surgical masks, visors, and aprons at all times.</p> <p><b>Symptoms of Covid-19</b>                  Prior to any appointment, regardless of the location, a Covid Questionnaire will be administered. Anyone answering ‘yes’ to one of the questions will not be seen.</p> <p>If advised that a child or family member has developed Covid-19 and was recently in contact (including home visits, school visits or clinic), Clare Canale will contact the Public Health Authority to discuss the case, identify people who have been in contact with them and will take advice on any actions or precautions that should be taken.</p> <p><b>Mental Health</b>                  RRT will promote mental health &amp; wellbeing awareness to everyone we encounter during the Coronavirus outbreak and will offer whatever support we can to help.</p>	<p>Volunteers, children and families to be reminded about social distancing.</p> <p>Virtual assessments and telephone history taking will be used to minimise face-to-face contact.</p> <p>Volunteers to be reminded that wearing of gloves is not a substitute for good hand washing.</p>			
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		<p><b>JUST ACTIVE CLASSROOM</b> As for general guidance.</p> <p>Only one parent will attend with the child.</p> <p><b>Cleaning</b> Cleaning and disinfecting objects and surfaces that are touched regularly particularly in areas of high use such as door handles, light switches, using appropriate cleaning products and methods.</p> <p><b>Social Distancing</b> Social distancing will not be possible for parts of a face-to-face assessment.</p> <p><b>Wearing of Gloves</b> Gloves will be worn for face to face assessments in the classroom.</p> <p><b>PPE</b> Regular RRT uniform will be worn with an apron. When inside 2m a mask will also be worn. If the child is coughing or sneezing (not Covid-related) a visor will also be worn.</p> <p><b>HOME VISITS</b> As for general guidance.</p> <p><b>Cleaning</b> Cleaning and disinfecting objects and surfaces that are touched by children e.g. toys and assessment items, using appropriate cleaning products and methods.</p>	<p>Child and parent will be asked to wash hands before and after appointment.</p> <p>Assessment items will be wiped down between each use. As the use of paper cannot be avoided, completed assessments will be placed in a poly pocket and quarantined for 3 days.</p> <p>Hands will be washed prior to putting on gloves.</p> <p>If the child can tolerate a mask, they will be asked to wear it.</p> <p>Car handles, steering wheel, handbrake etc will be wiped down between visits, in addition to the measures stated above.</p>			
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		<p><b>Social Distancing</b> Social Distancing - maintaining a 2-metre (6.5 foot) gap when possible. Additional use of PPE when not possible.</p> <p><b>Wearing of Gloves</b> Gloves will be worn during home visits. Permission will be sought from parent to wash hands on arrival and when leaving.</p> <p><b>PPE</b> Scrubs will be worn for all domiciliary assessments. These will be worn with an apron. When inside 2m a mask will also be worn. If the child is coughing or sneezing (not Covid-related) a visor will also be worn.</p>	<p>If handwashing prior to donning gloves is not possible, hand sanitiser will be used.</p> <p>Aprons, gloves, and masks will be removed after the home visit. Items will be placed into a bag and disposed of once home.</p> <p>Scrubs will be removed once home and washed immediately.</p>			
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Signed:	<i>Clare Canale</i>	Date:	6 January 2023
Subject to review, monitoring and revision by:	Clare Canale	Every:	12 months or as dictated by law or government and Public Health Agency guidance