



June 18, 2020

Dear Child Care Provider:

This letter is to inform you that Child Care Licensure will not be conducting your 2020 mid-year inspection. Due to COVID-19, the Mississippi State Department of Health has decided to waive mid-year inspections that should have been conducted between March 1, 2020, and June 30, 2020.

As you know our nation and state are facing unprecedented times. To support your child care program and ensure that you are prepared for your renewal visit later this year, we are providing you with some resources to help you review your facility and files. The enclosed forms will help you with improving quality and practices, and to identify and prevent the occurrence of non-compliant conditions that would cause health and safety issues for the children you serve.

We thank you for your cooperation as we navigate through this global health emergency. We thank you for all that you do in serving and keeping Mississippi's children safe during this time! If you have any questions, please continue to reach out to your licensing official.

Stay safe and well.

Sincerely,

Tabitha Bynum, Interim Director
Bureau of Child Care Facilities Licensure

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Please sign the acknowledgment below and send back to your licensing official.

This letter is an acknowledgment from the Mississippi State Health Child Care Licensure Division to the person(s) who will be held responsible for any violations that may be found while conducting any type of inspection.

I, Patricia Edwards (name), serve in the capacity of owner, director, or director designee of Westside Head Start (center name). I acknowledge that I was instructed to review my records and building to assure that all documents are up-to-date and that the facility is free of hazards.

I realize that by signing this document that I am agreeing that all required documents that are needed for a temporary, mid-year, and renewal inspection for a license are in place at this time.

Patricia Edwards

Director Signature

6.29.2020

Date of Signature