



TRANSITION PHASE GUIDELINES FOR CHILDCARE CENTRES

This document provides the measures in which Childcare Centres under the purview of Ministry of Culture, Youth and Sports are permitted to carry out activities during Brunei's transition phase within the National COVID-19 Recovery Framework. Our approach is based on ensuring compliance to core measures listed under COVID-19 Control Measures, the utilization of Antigen Rapid Test (ART) for early screening of the disease, and differentiated restrictions for vaccinated and unvaccinated.

TRANSITION PHASE

May commence at 70% vaccination coverage.

Minimize serious illnesses, hospitalisations and deaths due to COVID-19.

Measures that may be implemented:

- *Vaccination:* Maximize vaccination including boosters;
- *Monitoring:* Reporting to shift from daily case numbers to weekly average and focus on serious illness and death;
- *De-escalation:* Phased re-opening of workplaces, businesses and schools with the possible on-going low-level restrictions, adjusted to minimize severe cases;
- *Detection:* Contact tracing and quarantine measures to focus on the prevention of large clusters;
- *Access Restrictions:* Differentiated restrictions for vaccinated and unvaccinated residents; and
- *Travel Green List:* Establish a Travel Green List with reduced restrictions on inbound and outbound travel for vaccinated individuals.



COVID-19 CONTROL MEASURES

- **Use of BruHealth App:**
 - **Registering BruHealth:** All childcare centres must register for a BruHealth QR code.
 - **Scanning the BruHealth Code:** The owner of childcare centre must ensure all individuals entering the premises scan their BruHealth app upon entry (including all staff/workers/parents/guardians/visitors).
 - **BruHealth Code Color:** The owner of childcare centre can only allow entry to individuals with Green and Yellow BruHealth codes. Identity card needs to be shown for verification.

- **Complete Vaccination:**

The owner of childcare centre needs to ensure all staff/workers/parents/guardians/visitors eligible to be vaccinated (no medical contraindications) are fully vaccinated.

- **Social Distancing:**

Physical distancing measures are in place: at least 1.5m apart between individuals when possible.

- **Ventilation of Premise:**

The owner of childcare centre to ensure premises have adequate ventilation.

FULLY VACCINATED INDIVIDUALS

An individual is considered to be fully vaccinated if he/ she has received the appropriate regimen of WHO Emergency Use Listing (WHO EUL) vaccines or BDMCA-approved vaccines. Vaccination status in an individual's BruHealth, International Certificate of Vaccination or Prophylaxis book (Yellow Book), or other acceptable vaccination records may be shown to the management of a premise or organiser of the event as proof of vaccination.



MEASURES FOR THE RE-OPENING OF CHILDCARE CENTRES

Capacity Measures

- Only Manager and Caretaker of the childcare centre are allowed to be present for sanitization management and disinfection and preparation for operational readiness.

Entry Protocols

- Only fully vaccinated individuals are allowed to enter the premises with proof of vaccination.
- All individuals to undergo ART test once a week with negative results.
- Only individuals with negative ART results are allowed to enter the premises.
- All individuals must wear a face mask.
- All individuals are required to scan the premise QR code using BruHealth app upon entering.
- Only individuals with green and yellow BruHealth codes are allowed to enter with identification card.
- Individuals with symptoms and high risk are not allowed to enter.
- Practice social distancing at all times.
- Avoid any physical contact.
- Body temperature check should be done and use hand sanitizer before entering the premise.
- Always comply with the Ministry of Health Brunei Darussalam guidelines.

Sanitization and Hygiene Management Protocol

- Ensuring self-hygiene and cleanliness at all times.
- Provides disinfectant tissues and fluids for children, teachers and staff.
- Equipment and premises must be cleaned and disinfected before and after usage.
- Avoid unauthorized individuals or employees from entering the premises to avoid infection.
- COVID-19 preventive measures signboards and posters should be displayed.