

INTERIM FAMILY SUPPORT FOR CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES (FSCD) POLICY: IN-PERSON MEETINGS

THIS INTERIM FSCD POLICY IS IN EFFECT DURING THE STATE OF PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY IN ALBERTA RELATED TO COVID-19 AND UNTIL RESCINDED BY THE FSCD STATUTORY DIRECTOR

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1) INTERIM POLICY INTENT:

To limit in-person contact during the pandemic to reduce potential exposure to the COVID-19 virus for families, FSCD staff, and others.

This policy directive removes the requirement for in-person meetings and provides guidance to FSCD staff about alternate approaches to meet with guardians and families.

2) INTERIM OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES

- FSCD workers will utilize alternative approaches to in-person meetings with families and others to help minimize exposure to the COVID-19 virus.
- Alternative approaches may include, phone, Skype, FaceTime, videoconference or other technology.

3) IMPACTED POLICIES

- Assessment of Needs (Section 8-16)
- Multi-Disciplinary Team Meetings (Section 10-89)
- Individualized Family Support Plan (IFSP), IFSP – Out of Home (Section 10-111), and IFSP – Transition to Adulthood (Section 11-7)
- Interregional Transfer Protocols (Appendix D)

4) SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS AND RESOURCES:

- FSCD program website, alberta.ca/fscd
- Questions and Answers for FSCD Staff – COVID-19