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MEMORANDUM

To: Ingham County Schools/Daycare

From: Adenike Shoyinka MD MPH, Medical Health Officer, Sumeer Qurashi MD MPH ,Director Communicable Diseases

Re: **New Respiratory Virus Guidance-COVID19**

The purpose of this memo is to provide updates as there have been many questions about whether the Ingham County Health Department (ICHHD) will adopt the recent Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) respiratory guidance changes which include new COVID-19 isolation guidelines found here <https://www.cdc.gov/respiratory-viruses/guidance/faq.html>.

The change in the new guidance is for general community and does not include schools and daycares.

The CDC is working to update school guidance which will be released prior to the next school year. MDHHS is recommending that schools continue to follow control measures for COVID-19 and other respiratory diseases as outlined in the [Managing Communicable Diseases](#) in School document - please see the attached file.

If you have any questions, please contact Ingham County Health Department (ICHHD), Communicable Disease Control at 517-887-4308.

We appreciate your continued partnership to protect the health of your school community.