

Therapy Stars Ltd
Standard Operating Procedure (SOP)-SCHOOL VISITS
Covid-19

If Face to Face treatment appropriate:

Prior to booking an appointment:

- Client & Family will be contacted to complete screening forms and Risk Assessment via telephone, video session or email.
- This will include any information from a school's own Risk Assessment that may have been provided to the Physiotherapist.
- Completed copy of Risk Assessment sent to Client/Family and Client/Family asked to submit Consent for school visit.
- On day of appointment, Client/Family will be asked Covid-19 screening questions again via phone/text/email prior to appointment going ahead.
- Physiotherapist will inform school if appointment has been cancelled due to any issues with screening or if the Physiotherapist themselves has had any symptoms.

On arrival at school:

- Physiotherapist will only approach school at specified time of appointment.
- Physiotherapist will enter school with facemask in situ and will perform Hand Hygiene-either wash hands with soap and water for more than 20 seconds and/or to use provided hand sanitiser.
- They will then don PPE-disposable apron, followed by gloves in an area agreed with school prior to appointment. They may wear face visors/goggles if required.

During Physiotherapy appointment:

- Physiotherapist will be wearing PPE: fluid resistant face mask, gloves and apron as per PHE guidelines. They may also wear face visors/goggles if required. We are unable to assess/treat a child without wearing this full PPE.
- Client/Staff may wear face masks if they would like, but this is NOT mandatory.
- Any spoken information will be shared, where possible, whilst maintaining a 2 metre distance between Physiotherapist and Client/Staff.

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- Physiotherapist will conduct assessment/treatment session as appropriate - minimising Client contact where possible.
- Physiotherapist will not bring any toys/equipment into school unless discussed and agreed with school beforehand.

At end of Physiotherapy appointment:

- In agreed area away from Client/Staff, Physiotherapist will remove gloves and then perform Hand Hygiene.
- They will then remove apron.
- Face visor/goggles will be removed (if required) and sealed in a plastic bag for cleaning later, and Hand Hygiene performed.
- Finally they will remove their face mask once outside of school and dispose of PPE in their own double bagged bin bag.
- They will then perform Hand hygiene using hand sanitiser.

After School Visit:

- At the end of the day any PPE and/or disposable products used during the day will be left for 72 hours prior to being disposed of or will be cleaned appropriately.

WE WOULD ALSO NEED TO BE INFORMED IF THERE ARE ANY INCIDENTS OF COVID-19 SYMPTOMS/POSITIVE TESTS IN SCHOOL FOR THE 10 DAYS PRIOR TO ANY APPOINTMENT.

OUR STAFF WILL ALSO NOT BE IN WORK IF THEY HAVE ANY COVID-19 SYMPTOMS. THIS IS TO PROTECT OUR STAFF AND CLIENTS.

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