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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Advice Regarding High/a Rise in Temperature in Children Affected by Ectodermal Dysplasia

In conjunction with the Care Plan in place for a child affected by Ectodermal Dysplasia (ED), this letter is to give advice regarding a raise in their temperature due to environmental temperatures rather than the risk of being positive for Covid-19.

We ask that in order to maximise a child's education the following procedure is initially carried out to determine if overheating is the case, rather than sending the child home due to concerns over Covid-19.

Please ensure you use all cooling methods mentioned in the care plan; ensure the fan is on, they are seated away from windows and radiators, place a gel pack under their feet, use a spray water bottle to cool their skin, place a wet cloth around their neck, use a cooling pad, take off a jumper/cardigan/blazer, etc.

Their temperature should begin reducing within an hour if these procedures are followed.

Should their temperature remain high, at this point their parents should be called.

With regard to the use of fans in classrooms/offices the Government Health and Safety Executive have stated that....

"Employers must, by law, ensure an adequate supply of fresh air in the workplace and this has not changed.

Good ventilation can help reduce the risk of spreading coronavirus, so focus on improving general ventilation, preferably through fresh air or mechanical systems.

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Where possible, consider ways to maintain and increase the supply of fresh air, for example, by opening windows and doors (unless fire doors).

Also consider if you can improve the circulation of outside air and prevent pockets of stagnant air in occupied spaces. You can do this by using ceiling fans or desk fans for example, provided good ventilation is maintained.

The risk of transmission through the use of ceiling and desk fans is extremely low providing there is good ventilation in the area it is being used, preferably provided by fresh air.”

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