



## Employee Update – April 7, 2020

The Office of Human Resources Management (OHRM) will issue periodic updates to Prince George's County Government employees during the reduction in government operations and the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic. In each *Employee Update*, you'll find information and tips from OHRM, the latest COVID-19 information, and additional tips to support you.

### Keep Informed:

Employee Info from Human Resources	County Updates on COVID-19	Tweets from the County Executive	Tips and Info for Working Remotely
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## 3 Things You Should Know About: Childcare in Maryland for Essential Personnel

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### MD Governor designates no cost childcare for Essential Personnel.

On March 25, 2020, Maryland Governor, Larry Hogan, announced through an [Executive Order](#), that all child care providers close except those identified by the State to provide services to Essential Personnel.

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### Essential Personnel are defined as...

1. Providers of health, long-term, or acute inpatient care, emergency medical, or pharmacy services;
2. Public health employees;
3. Law enforcement personnel;
4. Correctional services employees;
5. Firefighters and other first responders;
6. Government employees required to work during the state of emergency or catastrophic health emergency;
7. Employees and representatives of insurance carriers, and those authorized by the MD Insurance Agency to engage in the business of insurance;
8. National Guard personnel called to active duty;
9. Staff and providers of child care or education services, including custodial staff and food service providers;
10. Food distributors and suppliers, including industry personnel;
11. Transportation and delivery services personnel;

12. Gasoline service station operators and auto repair mechanics;
13. Critical infrastructure employees, including emergency support personnel for gas and electric utility operations, public works, water treatment, and waste management;
14. Personnel of other institutions ordered to remain open during the declared state of emergency and catastrophic health emergency; and
15. Such other persons as the State Superintendent of Schools may designate in one or more orders as Essential Persons.

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### Parents and caregivers can request emergency childcare services now.

To obtain emergency childcare for a child of Essential Personnel, please:

- [Check this list](#) to see if there is childcare near your home or work
- If you don't see a childcare provider that meets your needs, call 877-261-0060 and a trained childcare referral specialist will assist you.
- You may be required to download and complete the following forms:
  - Family Enrollment Application ([PDF](#))
  - Health History Form ([PDF](#))
  - Medication Administration Authorization Form ([PDF](#))
  - Emergency Form ([English](#) | [Spanish](#))

Looking for a pleasant distraction today? Look no further. The following distractions were provided by the team behind your employee wellness program, [Level Up](#).

- **Listen:** *Funky Sensation* by Gwen McCrae ([YouTube](#))
- **Watch:** Head to Zanzibar and take a tour of the island ([YouTube](#))
- **Do:** Let's be curious today and learn something. Check out these [TED talks](#) and watch one (or more) that inspires you.

*Recommend a daily distraction (e.g., activity, song or playlist, or anything to make your day a little better) and we'll give you credit and a wellness prize [Email us your daily distraction.](#)*

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