**Mitigation Summary:**

**Low Community Transmission:**

* Staying up to date on COVID-19 vaccines including boosters
* Maintain ventilation improvements.
* Avoid contact with people who have suspected or confirmed COVID-19
* Follow all recommendations for isolation when there is suspected or confirmed COVID-19 as well as exposure isolations.
* If you are at risk of getting very sick, speak to a healthcare provider for additional preventions.

**Medium Community Transmission:**

* Stay up to date with COVID-19 vaccines, including recommended boosters.
* Maintain ventilation improvements.
* Avoid contact with people who have suspected or confirmed COVID-19.
* Follow all recommendations for isolation when there is suspected or confirmed COVID-19 as well as exposure isolations.
* Individuals who are at high risk of getting very sick are recommended to wear a high-quality mask or respirator when indoors or in public.
* If there is a household or social contact at high risk of getting very sick, consider wearing a high-quality mask or respirator when indoors or around them.
* SCPSHS will provide test kits for staff experiencing COVID-19 symptoms and/or COVID-19 symptoms following a known exposure.
* Children will not be tested on-site, but kits can be provided at parent request for their child.
* May require screening tests during or before high likelihood of transmission congregation activities such as field trips, open houses, etc.

**High Community Transmission:**

* Stay up to date with COVID-19 vaccines including boosters.
* Follow all recommendations for isolation when suspected or confirmed COVID-19 as well as exposure isolations.
* It is recommended to wear a high-quality mask or respirator.
  + Children < 2 will not be required to mask due to safety of the child, but other mitigation efforts may include increased ventilation, avoidance of crowded settings such as intermingling of classrooms, utilizing individualized spaces such as play and eating areas.
  + When possible, Head Start staff will set up individual play and eating areas considering class size.
* If you are at increased risk of getting very sick, consider avoiding non-essential indoor activities in public where you could be exposed.
* If there is a household or social contact at risk of getting very sick, consider self-testing before contact and consider wearing a high-quality mask when indoors with them.
* Test kits can be provided for staff and families who are experiencing symptoms or for known exposure to someone testing positive for CCOVID-19 as requested.
* Screening tests are recommended for individuals who have had close contact with someone testing positive for COVID-19, such as a person in the household tests positive, or someone testing positive after a high transmission activity such as indoor field trips.
* SCPSHS will evaluate scheduled activities for feasibility and will reschedule/cancel as necessary.

**Case Management**

* **If you have symptoms and test positive for COVID-19**: (Day 0= Day symptoms began)
  + Isolate for 5 days
  + Days 6-10 possible to return to in-person activities wearing a well-fitting mask as recommended
    - **AS LONG AS,** symptoms are improving and there has been no fever (temp at or above 100.4) for at least 24 hours without the need for any fever reducing medication such as Tylenol and Motrin, etc.
* **If you do not have symptoms and test positive:** (Day 0= Date the specimen was collected)
  + Isolate for 5 days
  + Days 6-10, possible to return to in-person activities wearing a well-fitting mask as recommended.
    - **AS LONG AS,** symptoms do not appear.
    - **IF SYMPTOMS APPEAR,** Isolation will restart at day 0. Day 0 will be the day that symptoms began and isolation protocol for symptomatic with positive test will be followed as listed above.

**With improving symptoms, and the absence of fever, (temperature of 100.4 or greater) with no fever reducing medications, program participants will be able to return to in-person activities on days 6-10 wearing a well-fitting mask appropriately. If the person is unable to wear a mask or if the child is at or below 2 years of age they will isolate the entire 10 days and may return to in-person activities on day 10.**